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A Social Contract Breaks in France

Protesters, Like Forebears, Put Themselves Above Law

By Barry James The stubborn lawlessness of French truck drivers and farmers shows a disturbing hreakdown of the social contract in France and reflects aloofness

by government, political parties and labor unions.

Observers said it was signifi-tant that neither the truckers nor the farmers, whose blockade of Freech roads has brought economic chaos and misery for travelers, have recognized leaders. As the police broke up some of the truck barricades Tuesday, truck drivers threw up new ones and continned to hold much of the nation at a standstill. (Page 4)

If not on the same scale, the action of the truckers and farmers is the kind of spontaneous, each-for-himself revolt against centralized power that has flared time and again in French history from the 14th century peasant's revolt known as the Jacquerie to the student-led rebellion of 1968. An exasperated de Gaulle coce called the French ungovernable.

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François de Closets, who has written widely about French society and its privileged classes, said that when workers start demonstrating it is assumed by other French people that the protesters are somehow above the law — above society itself.
"Proletarian violence has giv-

en way to corporatist violence, without a proper system of democratic mediation," he said. So strong is that sentiment, he said, that the public over-

looks the disruption of every day life, even the ruin of small es, while expressing sympathy for those demonstrating their grievances. Thanks largely to the popular

radio program "Les Routiers Sont Sympas" — "Truckers Are Nice" — drivers have cultivated a benign knights-of-the road

But for more than a week, they have held the nation to ransom to express disgust over a well-intentioned law designed to reduce France's excessively

high traffic accidents.

On July 1, the government put into effect a new driver's liceuse based on deductible points for dangerous driving. Truckers contend that since they drive more, they stand more chance of losing their b-

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censes and hence their liveli-

Alain Touraine, a prominent sociologist, said that the deregulated trucking industry operates in a pathological fashion, with drivers forced to work illegally long hours and drive at excessive speeds. He did not question the need for the points system, but he did wonder why the government had not considered the truckers' predicament before it put the law into effect,

Mr. de Closets said, "The government didn't even see this one coming — they were like children playing in a mine

That, he said, shows how remote the government has become from the governed. Debate on such issues as France's place in the European Community and the Maastricht treaty take place in a rarefied political atmosphere that does not touch

on the lives of the people.

Commentators have asked how the government could have put the points system into effect with so little attempt before-hand to educate or inform the

Some observers said the failure of the unions to raise questions about the points system at an earlier stage was one reason for the revolt.

One trucker said bluntly on fuesday: "We don't want any... thing to do with the unions." arly, the farmers' attempt to blockede roads leading to See TRUCKS, Page 4



A French policeman pointing his gun Tuesday in Lyon as he ordered a truck driver to get down from the cab of his vehicle.

Mr. Bush with some new Munich acquaintances as he jogged around a local track. On each lap, the number of children running alongside him increased.

In Munich, Goodwill Has Much to Overcome

Uneasy French-American Duet But a New Global Partnership

By Andrew Rosenthal

New York Times Service
MUNICH — Behind the expressions
of good intentions here Tuesday on world trade, the Russian evolution and Yngoslavia, President George Bush and President François Mitterrand danced a tense minuet with one eye on their own political problems and the other on an increasingly difficult trans-Atlantic rela-

tionship.
Cassied out in dinners, formal meetings and ad-hoc negotiations in the cor-ridors of Munich's Residenz palace, the tug-of-war between Mr. Bush and Mr. Mitterrand at the seven-nation economic summit meeting seemed to crystallize the problems of the Atlantic alliance as the United States and its European partners try to fit themselves into a post-Cold War order that none seems able to

define clearly. In public, the United States sought to give some credit to Mr. Mitterrand, saying he had spurred the statement on rugoslavia that was issued by the seven leaders here Tuesday and that Washington would continue to let him lead the European Community's response to the

Officials from Washington played

down the notion that French-American disputes were the major reason for the industrialized democracies' failure to break through to the agreement on world trade that they have been promis-

ing for years.

But in private, American officials

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complained about French intransigence in the trade talks. Their public deference Mr. Mitterrand on Yugoslavia was opered by a political need to present Mr. Bush as a strong leader, and Washington officials said privately that Mr. Mitterrand was actually following Mr. Bush's lead on the Balkan civil war.

Indeed, they said the communique issue out of the hands of the European Community, where the United States is largely a bystander, and put it back in the United Nations Security Council, which Mr. Bush feels confident of dominating, if any large-scale military action is oecded in Yugoslavia.

For their part, the French signed a joint communique that spoke of "an era where confrontation has given way to

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By Don Oberdorfer Washington Past Service MUNICH — The leaders of the

world's most economically powerful nations took their first collective look at the post-Soviet world here on Tuesday and declared that they saw the makings of a "new partnership" on the global

But they were also forced to grapple with crupting military conflicts ranging from Yugoslavia to the Russian hinterland, suggesting they would need strong nerves in the era ahead, along with more cohesion than they have yet been able to

"We are entering an era where con-frontation has given way to coopera-tion," said the political declaration issued by President George Bush and the as in the past, was a document heavier other leaders. Since the Group of Seven advanced

industrial nations met in London a year ago, Soviet communism collapsed and the Soviet Union, which dominated half the world during the Cold War confrontation, has broken up into 15 disparate and sometimes squabbling pieces.
The countries of Central and Eastern

Europe and the new states of the former Soviet Union can oow scize unprece

dented opportunities but they also face enormous challenges," the G-7 leaders

With the ideological barriers between East and West ripped down and the objectives of market economics and political democracy adopted as official

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doctrine, patterns of cooperation and partnership should develop as never be-fore, the leaders said.

Since the Williamshurg, Virginia, summit meeting in 1983, the G-7 leaders

have dropped all pretense of confining themselves to marketplace issues in a world in which economics is increasingly vital. This year's political declaration, on aspiration than on emerging prob-

A few bours after issuing their statement, the leaders were presented with the human embodiment of the greatest current challenge, President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia, who arrived here late Tuesday in time for a dinner, to which he had not originally been invited. How to provide encouraging new sup-

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G-7 Leaders Fail in Bid To Resolve Farm Dispute

U.S. and Europe Move Closer, but No Deal Is **Expected at the Summit**

By Tom Redburn

International Herald Tribune

MUNICH — U.S. and European leaders
failed Tuesday at the Group of Seven summit meeting to resolve the farm dispote that has paralyzed worldwide talks on free trade.

"I really am disappointed that we were not able to conclude" a GATT breakthrough, said James A. Baker 3d, the U.S. secretary of state. "We're not anticipating a final agreement out of this meeting," said President George Bush, the added that a green agreement of GATT in the said of the same agreement of GATT in the said of the s who added that an agreement on GATT issues

had never been a summit goal.

"There's no chance of agreement being reached" in Munich, said Prime Minister John Major of Britain. "Many interests are not represented here."

On the key stumbling block to an accord under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade — the post-World War II institution that

The leaders said they would back UN milita action to get aid through to Sarajevo. Page 2. The dollar slumped on comments by Nicholas Brady, the U.S. Treasury secretary, Page 12.

sets the ground rules for trade among more than 100 nations - the European Community and the United States are "much, much close now to the prospect of a Uruguay Round agreement than we were as recently as five weeks ago," Mr. Baker said. But the "last steps often prove to be the most difficult," he said,

France, insisting that oothing sensitive concerning the dispote over farm subsides should be decided until after its Sept. 20 referendum on the Maastricht treaty, vetoed a proposal to bring together in Munich senior trade negotia-tors from the European Community and the United States, EC officials said Tuesday.

French officials refused to discuss their action. They insisted, however, that no break-through in the GATT talks was possible anyway until Washington showed more willingness to compromise, which Paris believes will not happen until close to or after the U.S. presiden-tial elections.

But Mr. Baker, alluding to the worries in France over winning public approval for the Treaty on European Union, told reporters that a key reason for the delay was that "attention has been diverted in Europe since the Danish referendum to completion of the Maastricht treaty arrangements. We hope that as this settles down, we will be able to follow up."

On Monday, some officials had hinted that a Tuesday morning meeting between Mr. Bush and Jacques Delors, president of the EC Commission, might help overcome some of the final hurdles to a settlement.

But the two barely discussed GATT issues during a 25-minute breakfast meeting, aides said. If anyone expected a breakthrough this morning," said an EC spokesman, Bruno Thomas, "it didn't happen." Summit officials planned to work through the night to draft language for the final commu-

nique that they hope will display the G-7 leaders' renewed commitment to complete the GATT talks.

"We know we have to do something stronger than in London last year if we want to have any credibility," a Canadian official said, referring to the last annual summit meeting of leaders of the G-7 nations — the United States, Japan, Germany, France, Britain, Italy and Canada.

Officials also were still discussing the best way to arrange a deferral of the debt obliga-tions of Russia and other republies of the former Soviet Union as the Russian President,

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Cheney Names A Confidant to **Shape Up Navy**

WASHINGTON - Sean C. O'Keefe, the Pentagoo's top financial officer and a confidant of Defense Secretary Dick Cheney, was appointed secretary of the navy Tuesday, taking over a service scarred by sexual misconduct.

Mr. O'Keefe, 36 and with no military service, was appointed for 120 days. Mr. Cheney said he was being named to an acting post because no Senate confirmation was required. A permanent appointment, requiring confirmation, will come in the oear future, he said. "There's no doubt that the navy faces some

special challenges," Mr. Cheney said.

H. Lawrence Garrett 3d resigned as secretary June 26, a casualty of the scandal following reports that 26 women, including 14 officers; were molested at a convention last year in Las Vegas of the Tailhook Association, a private group of retired and active naval aviators.

Mr. Cheney said the alleged actions "mocked and disappointed" the rest of the service.

J. Daniel Howard, the former undersecretary of the navy, had been the acting secretary since Mr. Garrett's resignation. But he was seen by some congressmen and Pentagon officials as too closely tied to the investigation into the assaults. Mr. O'Keefe, is the Defense Department comptroller.

Several women had been mentioned for the job, including Barbara Spyridon Pope, the navy's assistant secretary for manpower and reserve affairs, and Beverly B. Byron, Democrat of Maryland, a senior member of the House Armed Services Committee.

Mr. O'Keefe's first joh will be to pick up where Mr. Howard left off in trying to crack

To Shape Its Destiny, Russia Puts Past on Trial

Washington Past Service

MOSCOW — The 74-year history of the Soviet Union went on trial Tuesday in a case that President Boris N. Yeltsin has said could determine "Russia's

As demonstrators shouted outside and Communists confronted former political prisoners inside a crowded courtroom, Russia's 13-member Constitutional Court began hearing evidence in what some democratic reformers hope will become Moscow's equivalent of the Nuremberg trials of Nazis.

The case began as a challenge by the remnants of the once all-powerful Communist Party to Mr. Yeltsin's decree last fall outlawing the party and seizing its

But the court agreed also to consider Mr. Yeltsin's contention that the Communist Party was a criminal organization that financed terrorism, stole money from the people and established a dictatorship in violation of its own rules.

Communists defending the construction of a "great power" and democrats mourning the millions who died in planned famines and in Siberian concentration

President Yeltsin and others depicted the trial as having enormous importance for Russia's future. Both sides warned that an adverse decision would doom Russia's democratic experiment. "The so-called Red and Brown are advancing." Mr.

Yeltsin said a few days ago, referring to Communists and fascists. "I would say that today, Russia's destiny depends on the Constitutional Court, rather than on "Any support for the Communists may play into

their hands and promote their destructive activity, which may push us into a civil war," the Russian leader warned. But Communists who appeared in court called Mr.

Yeltsin's ban on their party an undemocratic move

The proceeding, which could last weeks, quickly took shape as a trial of the Soviet Union itself, with authoritarianism. The ban on the party sets a precedent that is sure to be used against other political parties and public

movements," said a Communist representative, Viktor He emphasized that the party had helped defeat the Nazis in World War II and had turned the Soviet

Union into a superpower.

Outside observers were equally divided on what effect the trial would have on the country.

Stephen F. Cohen, a Princeton University scholar, called the proceedings a "political trial." "As a historian of Russia, I would say Russia has had too many political trials already," he added.

But Richard Pipes, a Harvard University historian,

hailed the proceeding and even submitted documents to the court on the formation of the Bolshevik system. Leonid Gozman, a psychologist and adviser to the Russian government, said the case under way here

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L.A.'s Phantom Toll Bus For a Transit System 'No One' Rides, It Does Big Business in a Car Capital

By Sara Rimer New York Times Service LOS ANGELES - Sarah Spitz took the

bus once. She was 16 and had no car. She and her friends had gotten a ride from the San Fernando Valley to Hollywood to go to the movies. They took the bus home, and considcred it an adventure.

That was 24 years ago.

Ms. Spitz, publicity director at a radio station in Santa Monica, has had no reason to board a Los Angeles bus since. She drives to her office, two miles from her home.

On the No. 4, making stops from downtown to Santa Monica the other morning, "nobody" included: Juan Ramirez, from El Salvador, who is a mechanic at a Mercedes-Benz shop in Beverly Hills; Maria Ochoa, from Guatemala, who is a maid in Beverly Hills (she was one of a number of maids on the bus); Maria Hernández, from Mexico City, a supervisor at a vegetarian food factory in Hollywood, and Tony Berze, from the Philippines, who works in a cookie store. At 7 A.M., as the air-conditioned white bus

with the red and orange stripes left down-town and urrned onto Sunset Boulevard, toward Hollywood, all 43 seats were taken. Ten people were standing.
It's almost a mantra in Los Angeles: Nobody rides the bus.

Yet, every day, the RTD buses — for Southern California Rapid Transit District - carry 1.3 million passengers.

Ms. Spitz is no snob when it comes to public transportation. She says she knows her

car isolates her from other Angelenos. And she hates being stuck in traffic on the free-But Los Angeles is a sprawling city. Everyone who can afford to drives. There are cabs

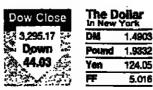
But try hailing one on the street. The first subway line is scheduled to begin service in March. People are already saying it does not go anywhere they want to go. Its initial segment will cut across 4.4 miles (7 kilometers) of downtown. There is a train, but it only runs on one line, between Los Angeles and Long Beach, 22 miles.

For now, public transportation is the bus It is poor man's travel. People in Watts and See RIDE, Page 4

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Earnings News Depresses Stocks

Wall Street stocks tumbled on Tuesday as disappointing news about corporate earnings depressed the market and unleashed a late flood of computer-driven selling. The Dow Jones industrial average fell 44.03 points, to 3,295.17, dragged down by news about Diliard Department Stores and Georgia-Pacific. (Page 11)



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dential guess list. Page 3. Iraq defied UN order on chemical weapons inspectors. Page 3.

paign is focused on the vice presi-



A Serbian gunman, wearing a symbol of the monarchy, taking a nip Tuesday during a bull on his front. Elsewhere in Bosnia-Herzegovinia, Serbs were reported advancing on a key town. Page 2.

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tutte," directed by John Eliot Gardiner, is a Mozart gem. David Stevens reports.

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down on sexual harassment.

Warning to Serbs: **End the Violence** Or Face UN Action

By Craig R. Whitney

MUNICH - Leaders of the world's seven most powerful indus-trial democracies warned belligerents in Bosnia-Herzegovina oo Tuesday that they would support United Nations-backed military action if it became occessary to get aid through to civilians in Sarajevo and other parts of the country.

Welcoming a new era of shared responsibilities in both Europe and the Pacific, the leaders issued a suring warning in the leaders of Serbia and the armies it controls that continuation of the violence in the Balkans was unacceptable.

Resurgent nationalism and ethnic tensions there and in parts of the former Soviet Union, they said, were causing "death, destruction, and widespread dislocation of innocent people. Joined by the European Com-

possibility of convening a UN peace conference in address the underlying ethnie and national causes of the worst fighting in Europe since World War II. As they met in the elegant sur-roundings of the Wittelsbach dynasty's royal palace in the Bavarian

munity, the leaders also raised the

capital, the leaders were also trying to find ways, and money, to prevent social and economic problems in the newly independent Russian Republic from hreaking out into similar violence. Russia's president, Boris N. Yeltsin, joined them for dinner Tuesday and will make his plea for

more aid and a debt moratorium on Wednesday afternoon, after they end the formal summit meeting and issue a communique on economic issues Before Mr. Yeltsin's arrival, the leaders welcomed the "new part-

nership" that the collapse of com-

munism and the Soviet Union had made possible between East and "Partnership will fluurish as common values take root, based on the principles of political and ecooomic freedom, human rights, democracy, justice and the rule of law," they said in the political dec-

laratinn they issued Tuesday.

Good governance and respect for

human rights are important criteria in providing economic assistance." But they were clearly preoccupied with the darker side of change, in the Balkans and in Nagorno-Karabakh, Moldova, and Ossetia,

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to a new international conference on Yugo-

slavia. They said the Americans were block-

ing — for no good reason as far as France

was concerned —a joint ouclear safety fund

cootrolled European Bank for Reconstruc-

Aides to Mr. Bush and Mr. Mitterrand say

the men get along well on a personal level, although Mr. Bush's exuberant style clashes

with Mr. Mitterrand's stolid demeanor and

Mr. Bush and Secretary of State James A.

Baker 3d are said to have a prickly relation-

ship with Foreign Minister Roland Dumas

The two leaders' evident tensions spring in part from significant differences on global security issues, including the future of the

North Atlantic Treaty Organization and

more broadly the future American role in

The United States is fighting to keep its

tion and Development.

former Soviet territories where nationalities have clashed violently over conflicting territorial claims.

There was most concern over their failure so far to prevent aggression in what was Yugoslavia. and there was talk in the corridors and by members of national delegations of using air and sea forces to set up a blockade and to send in ground forces if necessary to break the Serbian siege of Bosnia-Herze-

Secretary of State James A. Baker 3d repeated Tuesday that he did not believe that American troops should go in. "There is a quagmire potential," he said, "but there is a real problem that must be ad-

Asked what the United States thought of a French suggestion that troops of the nine-nation Western European Uninn, instead of the North Atlantic Treaty Organiza-tion, might be used, Mr. Baker said it would probably be op to the United Nations to decide. But he added, "It will be a case of making the most efficient and best use of the assets of these organizations. Barbara McDougall, the Canadi-

an foreign minister, said there had been "serious discussion" among the seven leaders of bow to block oil supplies entering Serbia from Romania by pipeline, despite the UN economic embargo.

But the language the seven agreed in Tuesday was cautious, reflectiog contioning disagreements about whether and how it would make sense in use ontside force to make peace among the warring factions

The airlift to Sarajevo can only be the beginning of a larger hu-manitarian effort," the summit leaders said. "Safe access by road to Sarajevo as well as to other parts of Bosnia and Herzegovina in need

must be guaranteed. If UN aid were blocked by the belligerents, the summit leaders said, "we helieve the Security Council will have to consider other measures, not excluding military means, to achieve its humanitarian nbjectives.

Serbia and Croatia, they said, should respect the territorial integrity of Bosnia-Herzegovina, and Serbian leaders should respect minority rights in full and oegotiate with representatives of the mainly Albanian province of Kosovo on granting autonomous status for the

cooperation." But they grumbled to reportation as the enforcer of European security, ers about Washington's reluctance to agree

But Trance, which is oot a member of the

that would be administered by the French- officials deeply resent, should be diminished.

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meeting in Munich.

The dispute over what Russians

call the Kuril Islands and what Jap-

anese call the Northern Territories

has prevented the two countries

Mr. Kato, the government's offi-

cial spokesman, said at a Tokyo

oews conference that the dispute

"has been given more attention

than we expected" at the summit

"The mood of the G-7 was af-

fected by France, which was more

positive in dealing with the issue."

from signing a peace treaty.



Barbara Bush, Mila Mulroney and Diana Amato eyeing the ceiling of a Munich cathedral. Behind Mrs. Mulroney was Hannelore Kohl.

Pomp, Circumstance, Plenty of Hot Air

By Roger Cohen New York Times Service

MUNICH - The world's economie summit meetings, begun 17 years ago in France, are facing a crisis of credibility. With all the talk, pomp and expense accompanied this year by scant action, people are asking: Where's the beef?

The nearest thing, it seemed, was President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia. In an unusual twist, the head of an economy in virtually complete chaos, with inflation of 640 percen in the past four months, was welcomed Tues-day by the leaders of the world's major industrial economies as a potential savior.

Unable to agree on anything to revive the world economy, the leaders were at least hoping to save face by offering President Yeltsin an initial \$1 billion in aid, promises of imminent debt rescheduling and a place at their dinner table. They did not, however, nffer to pay Mr. Yeltsin's estimated \$400-anight bill at the Marriott hotel - more than four times his 18,900-ruble monthly salary.

Although the welcome was warm, some questions were being quietly posed about Mr. Yeltsin's presence. How do you coordinate economic policy with a country that does oot even have a market economy?" asked Prime Minister Giuliano Amato of Italy.

Other officials promised that Mr. Yeltsin would face some tough questions along with the food, Bayarian beer and hlandishments. The Japanese want to know when, and whether, Russia will hand back four oorthern islands seized at the end of World War II. And the United States wants to know when

foothold in Europe by maintaining the domi-

crunch comes, they generally go along," a senior American official said Tuesday.

Beyond these geopolitical considerations, the relationship between Mr. Bush and Mr.

Mitterrand reflects the extent to which the

actions and statements of the leaders meet-

ing in Munich are colored by their political

this autamn. On Sept. 20, the French will

vote on the Treaty on European Union, a

ballot also seen as a verdict no Mr. Mitter-

rand's 11 years in power. Although French

opinion polls suggest that a majority will

back Mr. Mitterrand on the Maastricht trea-

ty, the French farmers' vote may be suffi-ciently strong to make him wary of giving the

Americans concessions on food import tar-

Mr. Bush is fighting an uphill battle to win

Both presidents are facing important votes

problems at home.

"The French always take a hard line oo

ment of a peacekeeping role for NATO. problems.

FRANCE: Public Politeness and Goodwill Do Little to Mask French-American Uneasiness

130,000 Russian troops still in the Baltic states will be withdrawn.

Nobody is quite ready to expand the Group of Seven to a Group of Eight. But everybody, it seems, needs President Yeltsin as a distraction from routine. Even his early - and apparently disruptive - arrival Tuesday was quickly accommodated. The hlacktie requirement for the gala dinner was waived in the case of the Russian president, and Russian women were allowed to wear "short dresses."

President George Bush was trying hard to achieve something beyond the support of Russian reforms. He vowed that the three days of discussions, originally intended as "fireside chats" hut transformed into lavish extravaganzas, would produce jobs for Americans. Others sought to resolve issues ranging from the menace of the former Soviet Union's nuclear reactors to the world refugee problem. But difficulties abounded.

The disarray was summed up by the French text of the group's statement on Yugoslavia, part of which read: "The humanitarian soludon in Bosnia-Herzogovinia is tragic and unacceptable." Only hours later was a correction circulated: "The humanitarian SITUATION in Bosnia-Herzogovinia is tragic and unacceptable."

Nowhere were the difficulties more apparent than on the question of deadlocked world trade talks. Everyone agreed that differences between France and the United States on farm subsidies had narrowed and that the nnly thing occided was a "political push."

But President François Mitterrand faces referendum in September and President Bush an election in November, and both want the support of farmers. So the push was pushed back.

This left a delicate problem for the drafters of the final communique, due Wednesday. How to encapsulate the progress made and the new determination gathered in a way that would distinguish these talks from the last four meetings?

In Toronto in 1988, the leaders said of the "Urugnay Round" of General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade talks: "It is of decisive importance to safeguard the dynamism of these ambitious negotiations."

A year later in Paris, they stated: "We commit ourselves unreservedly to further substantial progress in the Uruguay Round so that it can be successfully concluded by the

By 1990, in Houston, the language was emphatie: "The successful conclusion to the Urnguay Round has top priority on the world political agenda,"

And last year in London: "No question has more far-reaching implications for the future prospects of the global economy than the successful conclusion of the Uruguay Round,"

What now? Secretary of State James A. Baker 3d said, enigmatically, that the lan-guage would be "more forward-leaning," Meanwhile, a lot of people in Munich are avoiding dark beer. The beer is known as "dunkel," and Arthur Dunkel is secretary-general of GATT. "Just saying that word makes me feel bad," one participant said.

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Croatia Says a Serbian Force Drives Toward a Strategic Town on Border

SARAJEVO (Reuters) — Heavy combat flared in Bosnia-Herzegovina on Tuesday as Serbs battled Muslim and Croatian forces around the northern cities of Breko and Derventa and advanced, the Croatian radio said, on Bosanski Brod, a key border town.

The worst fighting on Tuesday was in the north, where Serbs were trying to push through a corridor to link the Serbian Republic with a Serhian minority region in southern Croatia

sernian immorty region in Serbian paramilitary forces said they had overrun Derventa, an important town 160 kilometers (100 miles) northwest of Sarajevo that straddles a key road junction. In another apparent gain for Serbian forces after a series of setbacks, the Croatian radio said they had broken through on a road linking Derventa to Bosanski Brod, which controls a bridge over the

Sava River to Croatia.

Milioa units exchanged fire sporadically in other parts of BosniaHerzegovina, including Sarajevo, the capital. Sixteen UN flights were
expected with emergency supplies under an airlift for the 380,000 people,
by current estimates, trapped in the three-month Serbian siege. Sava River to Croatia.

U.S. Indicts Ex-Housing Aide in Fraud

WASHINGTON (AP) — A former official of the Department of Housing and Urban Development was charged Tuesday with 13 felony counts, including conspiracy to defraud and perjury, in the influence-peddling scandal at the department.

Deborah Gore Dean, who was executive assistant to then-Secretary Samuel R. Pierce Jr. and worked for the department from 1982 to 1987.

Samuel R. Pierce Jr. and worked for the department from 1982 to 1987, conspired to steer department renovation funds to politically well-connected developers, the federal grand jury indictment said.

The indictment supersedes one filed in April and includes the two charges made in the earlier filing. It mentioned five unindicted co-conspirators, none by name, but it said one was a former attorney general the consentation of the consentation o who owned the Global Research International Inc. consulting firm. That would describe the late John Mitchell.

Jackson Links Zionism to Liberation

BRUSSELS (Renters) - The Reverend Jesse L. Jackson said at a conference on racism and anti-Semitism on Tuesday that Zionism was a biberation movement and that blacks and Jews should work together to

Mr. Jackson called Zionism a "liberation movement whose object is to secure a state for its people." In remarks to the World Jewish Congress, he said, "As the walls come down, any veiled threats of driving Jews into the sea, or driving Palestinians from the land must stop."

He described the Labor Party's election victory last month as "a breath of fresh air for peace and security for Israel." The speech had been widely

expected to help heal a rift, created in part by remarks he made during his 1984 campaign for the Democratic presidential nomination.

Taiwan Lifts Ban on Exiled Activists

TAIPEI (Reuters) — In a major democratic change, Taiwan on Tuesday lifted a decades-old ban on the return of more than 270 exiled

Most of the activists, many of whom live in the United States, were barred for advocating that Taiwan declare independence and abandon its official goal of reunification with China.

The National Assembly paved the way for the dissidents by voting earlier, 34 to 12, to revise the National Security Law, the latest in a series of changes since martial law was lifted in 1987. Under the revision, the government can bar Taiwanese from entering the island only if there is vidence to show they have resorted to violence against the state.

Royal Navy to Acquire a 4th Trident
LONDON (Reuters) — Britain announced Tuesday that it had ordered a fourth Trident ouclear submarine as part of its pledge to maintain an independent strategie nuclear deterrent.

Defense Minister Makcolm Rifkind said in response to a question in

Parliament that the submarine would be built by the VSEL Consortium at Barrow-in-Furness, in northwest England.

Correction

Contrary to a Washington Post article that appeared in the June 24 editions of the International Herald Tribune, there is no evidence that German-made artillery pieces have been sold to or transferred to Croatia.

TRAVEL UPDATE

French ground mechanics called Tuesday for a strike spread over Friday, Saturday and Sunday at Air France. Their union said its action, for better pay, would "cause trouble for passengers who must travel during this period," but Air France said the strike was not expected to modify schedules.

Air-Inter will add 17,300 seats to services to southern France, Brittany, Corsica and other European destinations from July 8-12. (AFX) Two young Americans were injured as they ran through the streets of Pamploma in northern Spain on Tuesday ahead of the herd of fighting bulls, the traditional daily ritual of the annual San Fermin festival, Both were treated in a hospital and released.

Italy has had the highest number of rainy days on record for the period from the start of June — 24 in all — with the downpours badly hitting the tourist industry. There are miles of deserted beaches and hotels with dozens of empty rooms.

Morocco's 1.6 milion emigrant workers will get reductions of 40 to 60 percent for flights on the national carrier, Royal Air Maroc. Most Moroccan emigrants live in Europe. (Reuters)

U.S. and Japan Block N-Plant Upgrades

nance of the North Atlantic Treaty Organi-

NATO military structure, argues that NATO

is a Cold War institution and should evolve

into something new. They say the American

dominance of world affairs, which French

France has been pressing hard for a new

internacional conference on Yugoslavia, and

has been resisting American proposals that

NATO form a peacekeeping arm, on which the European countries could call in times of

crisis through the 52-member Council on Security and Cooperation in Europe.

Paris wants that body, known as CSCE, to

turn to individual countries for peacekeeping

missions - a position aimed at diminishing

American influence on the Continent. The

United States can more easily control NATO

American officials said, however, that Mr.

Bush hoped that the joint statement on Yu-

goslavia laid a foundation for him to travel

to Helsinki on Wednesday for a meeting of

than it can the cooperation council.

By Steven Kinzer New York Times Service

MUNICH - Leaders of the world's seven major industrial nations failed to agree on ways to assure the safety of deteriorating nuclear power plants in Eastern Europe and the former Soviet Union. The two leaders urging such a program, Chancellor Helmut Kohl of Germany and Pres-

ident François Mitterrand of France, have concluded that a major international effort to upgrade the plants was not now possible because of opposition from the United States and Japan, according to a French spokesman. French and German officials, however, said a

program smaller than they have advocated would proceed despite the disagreements that emerged during the summit meeting.

About 60 ouclear power plants in Poland,

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MUNICH — Japan bas won the support of its G-7 partners with

their call for a resolution of Japan's

dispute with Russia over four is-

But he added that Tokyo still

faced tough negotiations with Mos-

cow over the islands off northern

Japan that were seized by Soviet forces at the end of World War II.

met Japan's wish for backing from

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Diplomats said the G-7 stand

lands, a senior Japanese official

Romania, Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Bulgaria and the former Soviet republics are believed to be operating without safeguards required in most Western countries. Among them are 15 plants in Russia, Lithuania and Ukraine that are similar in design to the Chernobyl plant, where a disastrous accident occurred in 1986.

The French-German proposal would have created a \$700 million fund to make emergency repairs to the most dangerous nuclear plants.

Chancellor Kohl's chief spokesman, Dieter Vogel, said Tuesday that the United States had carmarked \$25 million for the repair of the aged nuclear plants, but that American officials refused to accept the creation of a new interna-Consi fund for the purpose.

Mr. Vogel said that President George Bush had insisted that all aid aimed at improving the

MUNICH: Farm Deal Stalls safety of nuclear power plants be provided on a bilateral basis rather than through a joint fund.

a second term in November, and his advisers any extent at all. I say with a very, very

wanted him to return from Munich having demonstrated leadership in international af-

The Americans are very anxious to protect Westinghouse and other companies involved in to meet with G-7 leaders. the ouclear business," said a senior diplomat who participated in the talks. "If the aid stays bilateral, they can give contracts directly to American companies. In a more open or competitive situation, European firms like Siemens

would probably get most of the business."

The European Community has pledged \$270 million for the project and leaders of Scandinavian countries have said they are preparing a contribution of roughly equal size.

Japanese opposition to the proposed new fund, the diplomat said, was part of Japan's general reluctance to provide large amounts of aid to the former Soviet Union until its territo-

Boris N. Yeltsin, arrived in Munich

Thus, American officials' public state-

"Well, I think you're missing something,"

"I think that we -as I said in the formal

statement - can and have served as a cata-

lyst for action with respect to Yogoslavia.

But leadership doesn't mean doing it all by

yourself. ft means doing it jointly with your

partners where everyone can agree on what

ought in be done. And now we are in the

happy circumstance of everyone agreeing on

Asked how much the 1992 election colored

Mr. Bush's actions here, Mr. Baker, a sea-

soned political strategist whn ran the presi-

dent's 1988 campaign, said: "I don't think to

what ought to be done."

his stamp on the proceedings in Munich.

reaching their audience at home.

(Continued from page 1)

Russia and the other republics would receive a full-scale resched-uling of the estimated \$74 billion in foreign debt accumulated by the former Soviet Union, German officials said. But certain conditions

are likely to be attached to the debt relief, according to Germany's fi-nance minister, Theo Waigel. Mr. Waigel stressed that the G-7 was considering a plan to extend debt relief, which would push repayments and nearly all interest expenses off into future years, rath-

Munich Police Clash With Demonstrators

The Associated Press

MUNICH — German police charged a crowd of anti-summit demnnstrators Tuesday oight, pushing them away from barricades surrounding the conference has pledged billions of dollars in

Many of the protesters in the crowd of about 2,000 had been fired up by reports of alleged police brutality against demonstrators on the opening day of the summit meeting, Monday.

(Continued from page 1) port for Mr. Yeltsin's reform ef-

New Partnership

POLITICS:

imperatives: oot offending their allies and forts without busting their own tight national budgets will dominate the summit discussions Tues-Mr. Baker said Tuesday evening when a reporter suggested that Mr. Bush had not put day night and Wednesday.

Even more riveting at the mo-ment is the conflict in Yugoslavia, which has increasingly diverted the attention of the leaders in recent The separate declaration on Yu-

goslavia issued Tuesday, the product of last-minute negotiations, marks a new step toward more direct involvement by the world community.

U.S. policymakers said their central aim on the Yogoslav issue was to establish international support and approval for the "land bridge that is likely to be needed to deliver enough food and other supplies to Bosnia-Herzegovina alive in a land of chaotic civil war.

That aim was accomplished in the statement on Tuesday, which called for guaranteed access by road to Sarajevo as well as other areas of Bosnia-Herzegovina. But the summit leaders did not resolve the issue of who would supply the road convoys and who would protect them in case of attack.

The summit statement alluded in only the most general terms to the intensified discussion here of more rigorous enforcement of the economic sanctions against Serbia that were adopted a month ago by the UN Security Council

Officials said a study of loopholes in the sanctions and bow to block them, is still under way and that it may be completed in time for discussion or action at the Helsinki summit meeting this Thursday and Friday of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Eu-

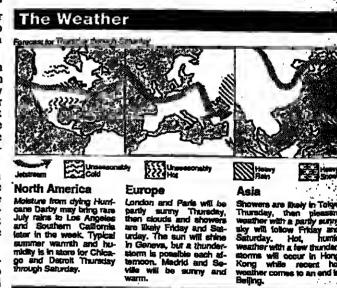
mit declaration praised the deep cuts in strategic forces recently negotiated by the United States and Russia, and expressed concern about a potential new wave of nuclear weapons proliferation arising from the breakup of one of the world's two great ouclear weapons

destruction, including ballistic missiles, is even more of a concern in an era in which the two former superpowers have less fingertip

A notable section of the summit's political declaration was the expression of strong support for the United Nations. The leaders did not take a stand

on the call by the United Nations secretary-general, Butros Butros Ghali, for an international military force to intervene quickly in complicated and dangerous conflicts.

The leaders are "still digesting" that suggestion, said the British for eign secretary, Douglas Hurd.





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was included in the political declaration will greatly change our strategy in Japan-Russia talks," he said.
"The occountations will managed. oegotiations will progress solely between the two oations." In their statement, the G-7 lead-

ers welcomed "Russia's commit-

ment to a foreign policy based on the principle of law and justice." "We believe that this represents a basis for full cormulization of the Russian-Japanese relationship through a resolution of the territorial issue," the statement contin-

The official said Mr. Miyazawa thanked his G-7 partners — the stood Japan's wish to discuss the leaders of the United States, Gerissue.

is rather neutral and is not strong at He declined to say whether Ja-

pan had asked for a stronger statement urging Moscow to speed efforts to end the dispute in order to be eligible for large-scale loans and grants from Tokyo. Japan has said it will not provide major financial aid to Russia before the row is resolved, although it

through a multilateral package. A German government spokesman said his government under-

bumanitarian aid and loans

er than official debt forgiveness. Russia probably will have to make token interest payments to G-7 Calls for Accord on Kurils Dispute commercial banks as part of any overall debt relief package. Private bankers, Mr. Waigel said, "are in-On arms control issues, the sumsisting that a minimum amount of the group in Tokyo's claim to the Miyazawa said they would have many, France, Britain, Italy and interest in fact he paid." preferred tougher wording telling Canada—for reaching a consensus Moscow what action the G-7 exislands as a condition for giving Russia's agreement over the that the territorial issue was more weekend with the International The chief secretary of the Japapected it to take. than a bilateral problem. Monetary Fund that would enable nese cabinet, Koichi Kato, said in a The paragraph on the dispute in But the official, indicating disapit to receive a first payment of \$1 the political declaration of the sumstatement in Tokyo: "The G-7 pointment among the prime minishillion should elear the way to a mit would not change Tokyo's strategy much, the official said. leaders agreed on the perception ter's aides, said: "The G-7 did not more definitive IMF program later tell Russia what to do in the prothat the northern territory issue is Proliferation of weapons of mass (Reuters, AFP) not only a problem between Japan "I don't think the mere fact it cess of normalization. The wording and Russia but a common concern

By Dan Balz

Washington Pest Service

WASHINGTON — With a su-

spenseless Democratic convention in store next week, the last big mystery of Bill Clinton's presidential candidacy is his choice of a running mate, and the prospective Democratic nominee seems to en-joy every plot twist, judging from the smile each time he is asked

Veep talk ricochets through the Democratic community. Does Sen-ator Albert Gore Jr. of Tennessee have the inside track? is Senator Bob Kerrey of Nebraska moving up? Does John D. Rockefeller 4th of West Virginia want it? Were Representative Lee H. Hamilton of Indiana and Senator Harris Wofford of Pennsylvania hurt by the court's abortion decision last week? Is Governor Mario M. Cuomo of New York on the list, although he says he doesn't want to be? Who is the surprise candidate -- or candidates — everyone is ignoring?

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It is not enough to talk names. Even the timing of the announce-ment is the subject of intense spec-

Mr. Clinton has managed the selection process to minimize specu-lation and prevent embarrassment to potential candidates. His criteria, he has said, include someone who could be seen as a good president, someone who understands what happened to the economy and middle-class Americans during the 1980s, and someone whose background complements his own.

Aides to Mr. Clinton apologize - both for refusing to talk and for knowing so little about what is going on. Only a handful of people are truly involved, and they have been remarkably leak-free. Whenever someone reports something, Mr. Clinton knocks it down, with a smile of satisfaction. A short list of four? Not the right number, he says. Two? Nope, Goess again.

Of course, everyone will. Every day seems to bring a oew name or two: Senator Bob Graham of Florida; Senator Joseph I. Lie-Maynard Jackson of Atlanta, Governor Ann Richards of Texas has been up and down the flagpole, leaving Mr. Clinton with a list that may or may not include any women

ing at Mr. Clinton's choice is gener- not excite the faithful.

weapons experts to search the Ministry of

we shall not authorize the mission to enter

the ministry," said a Baghdad official who

requested anonymity.

The Security Council demanded Mon-

day that Iraq immediately stop obstructing

the inspectors, who are camped out in five air-conditioned vehicles.

The team, made up of 16 chemical weap-

ons experts and led by an American, Karen

"The Iraqi position has oot changed and

ational, Mr. Gore, Mr. Kerrey and Mr. Rockefeller would represent new-generation choices, giving the Democrats the opportunity to present themselves as the party of the new world, not the old world. Mr. Hamilton and Mr. Wofford, by comparison, would provide maturi-ty to the youthful Mr. Clinton, perhaps to reassure voters worried

about his inexperience. But that is only one way to look at it, and it is not clear whether it is Mr. Clinton's way. Each of the candidates who are the subject of speculation has strengths and weak-

Mr. Gore brings youth, foreign policy experience, a strong environmental record, a family-values family and the experience of having run for president. But he is a fellow Southerner, never known to be particularly close to Mr. Clinton.

Mr. Kerrey has potential star quality, is a leading voice on national health care issues, could play well in California, holds the Medal of Honor and would signify change in a year when change is the watch-word. But he savaged Mr. Clinton during the primaries, warning that Republicans would open Mr. Clinton "like a soft peanut" because of his draft record. In addition, be proved to be a less compelling candidate in person than on paper, and is divorced.

Mr. Rockefeller is strong on health and childrens' issues, dislikes President George Bush intensely and would warm to the attack, is well-liked by other Democrats and can help raise moncy. But be lacks extensive foreign policy experience and comes from a small state. One strength that is also a weakness: be is a Rockefel-

Mr. Wofford is a new senator who could be seen as something of an outsider in this year of outsiders, a man who has connections to the Kennedys. A northeastern Roman Catholic, he would complement Mr. Clinton's Southern Baptist background. But he is little known berman of Connecticut; Senator nationally and would not necessar-Sam Nunn of Georgia; Mayor ily be seen by voters as instantly

Mr. Hamilton, who is in line to chair the House Foreign Affairs Committee, brings the foreign policy experience that Mr. Clinton lacks most. He is known as a man One way to make sense of look- of integrity and rectitude, but may

Jansen, was barred from entering the min-BAGHDAD — Iraq defied the UN Seistry Sunday morning. The weapons excurity Council on Tuesday, refusing for the perts remained outside the building to cil, José Luis Jesús, said the council had third day to allow a team of chemical monitor people entering and leaving.

The inspectors spent Tuesday reading

newspapers and books in their vehicles

while ministry employees and visitors en-tered and left freely.

Rolf Ekeus, head of the UN Special

Commission supervising the destruction of Iraqi weapons of mass destruction, has

ordered the team to stay in place until it is

allowed in. Iraq says a search would violate

The atmosphere was relaxed.



Governor Mario M. Cuomo of New York looking up the precise meaning of the word "academic" for a reporter after telling him that whether he was a potential running mate for Bill Cinton on the Democratic ticket was essentially an "academic" question.

Cuomo's Keynote Suggests End of Feud

By Kevin Sack New York Times Service

ALBANY, New York - The decision by Governor Mario M. Cuomo of New York to place Governor Bill Clinton's name in nomination at the Democratic convention signifies a mutually beneficial reconciliation between two men who have had more than their share of personal and political conflict in recent years.

With the convention opening Monday, the mouncement of Mr. Cuomo's decision defused any possibility that the Cuomo-Clinton contretemps would become an unwelcome side-show to Mr. Clinton's coronation.

Mr. Clinton said that he was "gratified" that Mr. Cuomo would give the speech, adding that the New York governor "would be very, very

Iraq Defies UN Order to Let Arms Experts Inspect Building

sion's teams "immediate, unconditional, ments.

and unrestricted access to any and all ar-

eas, facilities, equipment, records and means of transportation which they wish to

Under the terms of UN Resolution 687,

adopted in April 1991 in the aftermath of

Iraq's defeat in the Gulf War, Baghdad was

ordered to assist UN inspection teams in

efforts to climinate weapons of mass de-struction, including biological, chemical

compassionale and forceful in making the case."

"I think be'll make a compelling case, not just for me, but for wby we have to change," Mr.

Mr. Cuomo's change of heart -he preferred to say he had simply deferred to the judgment of Mr. Clinton and the Democratic Party chairman, Ronald H. Brown — also raised the ques-tion of whether Mr. Cuomo might relax his avowed lack of interest in the vice presidency.

The New York governor made a point of saying at a news conference Monday that Mr. own had discussed the vice presidency with him by telephone over the weekend.

The party chairman had not asked him to reconsider his position, he said, but he declined

In a similar case, a team of inspectors

spent four days in a parking lot last Sep-

the search was an "unacceptable" breach

of the resolution, and be read out the

Security Council warning to an Iraqi repre-

"nothing in that building" that pertained to the UN resolution. "It's a ministry and

it's a symbol of sovereignty," he said in

explaining why the inspectors had been

Mr. Nima countered that there was

Mr. Jesus said the Iraqi refusal

sentative, Samir Nima.

At United Nations headquarters in New and ouclear weapons and delivery systems.

demanded that Iraq allow the commis- tember in a standoff over noclear docu-

to provide details about their conversation. Mr. Cuomo told Clinton campaign aides several weeks ago that he did not wish to be By volunteering that Mr. Brown had spoker

to him about the vice presidency and then declining to discuss the context, Mr. Cuomo managed to insert himself back into the vice presidential search. What seemed certain was that no formal

offer of the vice presidential spot had been made to Mr. Cuomo. But what was less clear was whether he would actually be interested in

The governor has conceded that speculation linking him to a presidential campaign is good for his political stature at home and as a nation-

an issue, he charged, "to insult and to

Meanwhile, Al Thawra, organ of Iraq's

ruling Arab Ba'ath Socialist Party, said Tuesday that Ms. Jansen, the UN inspec-tion team leader, was an officer in the U.S.

military and had served in Saudi Arabia during the Gulf crisis.

Iraqi group that accompanies the arms inspectors, told Al Thawra that the present

search mission was the 10th by the team

since it arrived oo June 26. The team found

nothing that violated the UN resolution, he

cording to one U.S. source, when

central intelligence, heard com-plaints about the king from Saudis

and Egyptians during his visit to those countries in February, he told

them: "King Hussein has done

more to help get Saddam out of

power than any of you,"

Asked about his reported autho-

rization of the U.S. intelligence ef-

fort on Jordanian soil, King Hus-

sein said: "This is not a police state and we have always had a clear policy of noninterference in the af-fairs of others in this region or

anywhere else. And we do not per-

mit others to interfere in our sover-

Robert M. Gates, the director of

Hussam Mohammed Amin, head of an

Mayor Delays Start Of Chicago Airport

CHICAGO - Plans to build Chicago's third airport, in the city's southeast, have been put on hold by the mayor's angry reaction to a decision by the state legislature to wait until autumn to vote on the

spooded to the legislature's decision by saying he would drop his two-year crusade for the airport, that he would not reintroduce it But the mayor's announcement is widely viewed as a political maneuver, an effort to put additional pressure on the state Legislature to approve the Lake Calumet airport.

"Most people don't believe him." said Gary Mack, a spokesman for Governor Jim Edgar, who supports the idea of building the airport at the mayor's favored site. From Industrialist on the southeast side of the city. "We simply can't believe that a project as big and important as that could be thrown away that cavalierly by the mayor.'

The 8,200-acre (3,320-hectare) site was chosen last winter from a million gift to Glassboro State Collist of five sites by a committee of business and political leaders.

The mayor has said that the construction and operation of the airport would create 200,000 or more obs and generate an estimated \$12 billion to \$15 billion for the region-

Mayor Daley's announcement was made during an emodonal news conference last week after Governor Edgar, a Republican, io pass a measure creating a regional airport authority to oversee con-

the Chicago suburbs refused to approve it without assurances that there would be no new runways built at O'Hare airport, the busiest and most congested in the United

pansion at O'Hare during the 20 graduate students.

Lake Calumet ready for operation. The governor, enmeshed in budget negotiations, told the mayor that the vote on the airport authority would have to wait until the legislative session that begins after the November election.

Mr. Daley said he did not believe that the bill would garner the necessary votes this autumn. He added and would no longer push for a new

State College Gets \$100 Million Gift New York Times Service

GLASSBORO, New Jersey --An industrialist who said he wanted to repay the state where be built his fortune has announced a \$100lege in southern New Jersey.

li is the largesi individual gift ever to a pubbic college or university and second only to a \$105 milhon gift given thirteen years ago to Emory University, a private school in Atlanta.

In recognidon of the Glassboro gift by Henry M. Rowan, 68, and his wife, Belly, officials said they would rename the school in bonor of Mr. Rowan, who is chairman was unable to marshal enough Re-publican votes in the state Senate ductotherm Industries Inc., one of ductotherm Industries Inc., one of the world's biggest manufacturers of industrial furnaces.

struction of the airport.

The president of Glassporo
The bill, which had passed the State, Herman D. James, said the state House, got bung up in the endowment would be used to es-state Senate when legislators from tablish a school of engineering, to create visiting professorships, and to start a scholarship fund that would allow children of Inductotherm employees to attend the college

Glassboro bas an enrollment of They want to forestall any ex- about 10,000 undergraduate and

AMERICAN **TOPICS**

Hearst Monastery Now a Miami Church

San Simeon.

never got to California and is now an Episcopal church in Miami, the Los Angeles Times reports. Its first stop was a Brooklyn warehouse. After a hoofand-mouth epidemic broke out in Spain, U.S. agriculture offi-cials, fearing that the hay used to cushion the blocks was coutaminated, impounded all 11,000 crates. By the time the hay was burned and the govern-ment released the monastery, Hearst had lost interest. The cloister languished in the ware-house until 1952, a year after his

The monastery appears briefly in Goldie Hawn's recent movie, "Crisscross." François Bucher, a professor of art history at Florida State University, says the building is probably the finest example of medieval architecture in the United States after the Cloisters in New

Short Takes

In 1925 William Randolph

Two Florida promoters about 250 families.

Hearst, the publishing magnate, bought the monastery of Saint Bernard de Clairvaux in Segovia, Spain. His agents had it blueprinted, dismantled, crated and shipped to the United States with a view to putting it back together as a cabana surrounding the swimming pool at the Hearst California estate, The 12th-century building

bought the monastery at auc-tion and invested \$1.5 million to reassemble its 36,000 individually numbered stones on the site of an old tree nursery. By 1964, the monastery had failed as a tourist attraction. With a philanthropist's \$400,000 donation it became a church. The coogregation now numbers

Cancer kills 500,000 people a year in the United States, and

the federal health service says more than one-third of cancers are caused by faulty eating hab-

its. Now, the food industry is contributing about \$55 million, and the National Cancer Institute \$18 million, to a five-year campaign to encourage people to eat five servings of produce, fresh or cooked, every day. Nearly four out of five people do oot do that. Many take the adage "an apple a day keeps the doctor away" literally. Nearly half of the male respondents to a cancer institute survey said one serving of fruit or vegeta-bles a day was plenty. Yet the institute says that half the number of cancers develop among people who cat produce four times or more every day, as compared with those who eat.

Researchers may have found the connection between lack of estrogen and the weakening of . bones, called osteoporosis, in women after menopause, according to Science magazine. Normally, the body has an even balance of osteoclasts, cells which destroy old bone, and os-teoblasts, which build new bone. The Indianapolis Veterans Center and the Indiana University medical school said studies show that lack of estro-

one serving or less per day.

gen stimulates production of interleukin-6, or IL6, a chemical in the immune system that in turn promotes produccion of osteoclasts. Suddenly, the builders are vastly outnumbered by the destroyers, rather like a street crew that finds polboles are being made laster than they can be filled.

Jeff Van Note, former center, for the Atlanta Falcons of the National Football League, says, Potential is a French word that means, 'You aren't worth a

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New York City police arresting a demonstrator who was said to have thrown

Night of Violence in New York Mayor's Pleas Went Unheeded in Protest Against Police

officers. None of the injuries was blocked by a line of officers from

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK — An eruption of violence in a Hispanic neighborhood of New York represents the most serious outbreak of neighborhood violence to confront the administration of Mayor David N. Dinkins, which had received high marks for keeping his city calm after the recent riots in Los Ange-

The Washington Heights neighborhood in northern Manhattan was quiet Tuesday after a riot the night before when residents protesting a fatal shooting by a police officer set cars and a building ablaze and fired shots at the police.

During the disturbance, a 29year-old man who had been seen throwing bottles on police died in a fall from a rooftop as officers pursued him. At least 15 people were wounded, including several police

serious, the police said. At least 25 people were arrested,

on charges ranging from arson to disorderly conduct.

Bands of 50 to 100 people ran through the streets in a 40-block area. They set fires to at least a half-dozen cars and an abandoned building; they vandalized stores, threw bottles from windows, and shouted, "Killer cop!" and "Justice!" at the police.

The disturbance began as a peaceful demonstration led by a city councilman to protest the killing Friday night of Jose Garcia, 23, an immigrant from the Dominican Republic. A witness said Mr. Garcia was unarmed and possibly unconscious. The police disputed that

Violence began about 7:30 P.M., when some 200 people were

approaching the precinct house of the officer who had shot Mr. Gar-

Shortly before the disturbance, Mr. Dinkins had visited the Washington Heights oeighborhood in an attempt 10 ease tensions. He had met with Mr. Garcia's family and promised a full investigation.

The mayor had also appeared on a Spanish-language TV station Monday night to appeal for calm.

"The frustration and anger is un-derstood," he said, "but it is no answer to have destruction of property, injury to people and perhaps even loss of life."

The victim's brother Alex told a radio station Tuesday: "We got to teach them a lesson, you know what I mean? Because they're getting out of hand with the police brutality." (AP, NYT)

By Nora Boustany Washington Post Service
AMMAN, Jordan — King Husfacts." he said, "but apparently there is something going on." A Western diplomat in Washingsein, reacting to reports that Sad-

dam Hussein may have linked him to recent military disturbances or a coup attempt against the Baghdad regime, has declared that his country played no role in any such The denial marked a first response to reports surfacing in Washington and the Middle East

that the Iraqi president had impli-cated the kiog. President Saddam is said to have told senior officers that the Jordanian monarch was involved in U.S.-led intelligence efforts to encourage a coup attempt June 29 by a mechanized brigade from Iraq's Republican Guards. "There was certainly nothing in terms of our involvement or collu-sion," be said Monday. "There was

neither knowledge nor participa-tion in anything of that nature," he said. "If these accusations are being made against us, we have not heard from the Iraqis, neither officially nor otherwise. And if such accusations are indeed being made that would complete the circle of accusations against us, this is a bit too much."

In the face of heavy U.S. and other Western criticism, Hussein refused to join the U.S.-led alliance against Iraq during the Gulf War. If the Iraqi leader really believed the king had now sanctioned a plot against him, the consequences would probably be serious for Jordan, which receives most of its oil

supplies from Baghdad. A deterioration in Iraqi-Jordanian ties also would hurt fraq, how-ever, since Jordan is still Iraq's main gateway to the world, providing a conduit for imports barred by the United Nations trade sanctions leveled against Iraq. The Jordanian monarch has distanced himself from Mr. Saddam since the Gulf crisis but has refused U.S. requests for the placement of UN monitors near the border to slow the flow of sanctions-busting trade.

The king said that he suspected something had happened in the traqi military but that he had no

evidence to substantiate the coup reports.

"I honestly have no concrete counted him as a silent ally. Ac-

Jordan's King Denies Involvement

In Coup Attempt Against Saddam

ton said at least 140 Iraqi officers had been executed since Mr. Saddam cracked down. This is a large number of officers, the diplomat noted, but not when compared to an Iraqi officer corps totaling 14,000. Contrary to the initial reports, the diplomat added, a mechanized brigade did not move on Baghdad to seize power, but rather was "pounced on" by Mr. Sad-dam's forces as part of the crackdown that led to the executions.

The assertion that a coup was thwarted in a battle on Baghdad's northwestern outskirts was made July 1 by the Iraqi National Congress, a London-based dissident group. U.S. sources in Washington, who remained skeptical, said the report originated in Mr. Saddam's meeting with his officers. A Washington source said that

although King Hussein was not involved in any coup conspiracy, he has allowed U.S. intelligence agencies to use Jordan as a platform to gather intelligence about Iraq. Because the king has allowed

these U.S. intelligence operations

But he said, "People come and go," adding, "I can't control every-■ A Midlevel Purge Mr. Saddam has purged 135 officers since the reported coup at-tempt in Baghdad last week, a se-

mor Pentagon official told the New

cign affairs."

York Times.

Many of those purged are midlevel officers from a Republican Guard unit that was said to have been implicated in the revolt, according to intelligence reports.

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U.S. Alleges Ex-Envoy Hid Kuwaiti Pay

DENVER - A former U.S. ambassador to Bahrain and two others were indicted on federal charges Tuesday of taking \$7.7 millioo secretly from Kuwait to promote U.S. intervention in the Gulf prior to the Gulf War.

Sam Zakhem, 56, ambassador to Bahrain from 1986 to 1989, was charged with 12 counts, including failure to tell the government he was acting as an agent for Kuwait and failure to disclose his earnings from Kuwait on federal income tax returns.

William R. Kennedy Jr. and Scott Stanley Jr. were each charged with two similar counts. Mr. Kennedy is a former owner of Conservative Digest, a defuoct political journal, and Mr.

They are charged with having diverted \$5.7 million of the Kuwaiti money for personal profit and hiding the payments to avoid income

The U.S. attorney, Michael Norton, said Mr. Zakhem, Mr. Kennedy and Mr. Stanley operated two businesses from August 1990 to June 1991 that were paid \$7.7 million by Kuwait for a campaign to force Iraq out of Kuwait.

Only \$2 million was spent on publicity, the indictment alleged. The rest was used by the three for personal profit, but was concealed from the lederal government.

The first business was called Coalition for America At Risk, or COFAR, described as a

Stanley is a former Conservative Digest editor. group of patriotic volunteers marshaling support for President George Bush's policies in the

> The three are said to have abandoned that business after allegations were made linking it with Kuwait. They then created a second organization called The Freedom Task Force. The indictments alleged that the three men

met with several congressional leaders and several current and former administration officials to promote Kuwaiti interests, but did not tell them they were representing Kuwait.

Mr. Zakhem, who was born in Lebanon, made unsuccessful bids for a U.S. Senate seat in Colorado in 1980 and for the Republican nomination for that seat this year.

TRUCKS:

Social Malaise

Mounting Anger in France

By Alan Riding New York Times Service

PARIS - As French riot police began reopening some of the high-ways blockaded by protesting truckers during the past nine days, the government Tuesday became the target of mounting anger over the economic damage caused by its failure to end the dispute. Farmers, hoteliers and factory

managers, whose businesses have been hurt by the blockades, said they would sue the French government for not guaranteeing the freedom of movement. Foreign groups also said they would seek compen-

Heavily armed police escorted by armored vehicles succeeded in clearing trucks barricadiog the highway north between Paris and Lifle as well as at least a score of

gas, but in most cases no force was

Many truckers conetheless set up new blockades just miles from where they had been parked.

A trucker was run over and killed near Maubeuge, in northern France, and six people were seriously injured in traffic accidents related to the roadblocks in the Landes region, bringing the toll af-ter nine days to five dead and eight injured. Agence France-Presse reported.

Continuation of the truckers' protest over oew highway safety measures was a blow to the governmeot, which early Tuesday anoounced it had reached an agreemeot with haulage firms and drivers' unions. Most truekers. however, do not belong to the

RIDE: L.A.'s Phantom Toll Bus

other such oeighborhoods are also wood, Carol Garnjost got on. She given to making statements about

They complain about how long it takes to get them where they are going. This is true. The bus, caught in traffic with all the cars, is oeither

fast nor efficient.
On the No. 4, Juan Ramirez, 53, was explaining why he could not afford a car. He earns about \$300 a week repairing Mercedes-Benzes. He pays \$500 a month for an apartment he shares with two people. He says he sends about \$100 a month to his wife and four children back

home. The bus costs \$1.10 ooe way.

was on her way to her job as an

"I like the bus," she said. "I can read. And I think they should take the single cars off the road." She had one once, a 1965 Rambler, she said, but it died five years

"People in my office are aghast that I ride the bus." she said. "They only take it if their car breaks

down, or gets stolen." The passenger behind chimed in: "My car was stolen three weeks

sions, they were required to use tear gas, but in most cases no force was oew system under which their driving licenses will be automatically suspended if they lose up to six points for traffic violations such as

> The agreement announced by the transport minister, Jean-Louis Bianco, included a reduction in the working hours, a provision ensuring alternative employment if li-censes are suspended and a pledge that points would oot be deducted as a result of police inspection of speed recording devices on heavy

But the difficulty of negotiating with thousands of individual truckers scattered across a large territory became quickly apparent. Many said they were unaware of the agreement, while others said it was inadequate.

With the government wavering between further negotiations and further police action, however, the effect of the blockades began to be felt more severely in many cities and towns. On the French Riviera, where resorts were geared up for the start of the summer season last weekend, hotels are reporting mass cancellations.

Delays in the delivery of gasoline, fresh fruit and vegetables and even flour for bread are also bringing shortages to many towns. Nice airport, for example, said it had only 24 hours of aircraft fuel left. In many areas, farmers have stopped picking fruit, which is now rotting on trees.

"Each day, shopkeepers are finding it harder to meet customer demand," the National Trade Advi-

MOSCOW - At least 22 people

(Continued from page 1) Paris and other cities took place in defiance of the two main farmers'

The farmers are resisting changes in EC policy that they say will drive them from the land. To complicate the sitoation, some farmers blocked railroad lines be-

cause the truck drivers' action prevented their getting produce to

"The problem is clearly linked to the breakdown of the unions," said Mr. de Closets. "The leaders do not

An editorial writer in Le Monde wrote about the "Balkanization of French society." Serge Cordelier, of Georgia that wants to secede and director of "The State of France," unite with North Ossetia, across an annual publication, said that was putting it too strongly.

Nevertheless, he said both truckers and farmers were operating outside the system.

Some commentators noted similarities between the current protest and the rightist Potijadist movement of small shopkeepers that sprang up in the 1950s. One of the Poujadist deputies was Jean-Marie Le Pen, who now heads the extreme-right National Front. Can the government come out of

the crisis intact? Mr. de Closets said it depends on whether the government holds its ground on the oew law. If it gives in, he said, the farmers will step up their blockades, and many other groups will see that as a license to revolt.

Neighbors Of Moldova Get Plea for Peace Role

The Associated Press

were killed Tuesday in battles in the separatist Trans-Dniester region of Moldova, and the Moldovan parliament called for peacekeepers from neighboring lands to form a buffer in the combat zone.

The lawmakers voted, 225 to 3, to allow troops from Russia, Romania, Ukraine, Belarus and Bulgaria to take up positions between Moldovans, who are ethnic Romanians, and the separatist Slavs. President Mircea Snegur, en-dorsing the peacekeeping plan, told

accept any further loss of life." The appeal came after a night of intensified fighting. Many of the 22 dead were civilians, spokesmen for the two sides said.

the legislators that "no one can

More than 600 people have been killed since March in the skir-mishes between Moldovans and the

In the Caucasus, two people were killed and five wounded when Georgian forces opened fire with know what the people at the base artillery, mortars and small arms think, and the people at the base do on Tskhinvali, capital of South Osnot do what their leaders tell setia, Itar-Tass said. It attributed them." tian parliament's press center.

South Ossetia is an ethnic region the border in Russia.

In the disputed Azerbaijani re-gion of Nagorno-Karabakh, Azerbaijani forces have captured the villages of Nakhichevanik and Prdzhamal, the Turan news agency said Tuesday.

The two villages, populated mainly by Armenians, were first captured by Azerbaijani forces on June 12. Armenians retook them over the weekend but the occupation lasted only for several hours, Turan said.

The agency said Azerbaijanis seized the village of Janyatakh in southern Nagorno-Karabakh.

Azerbaijan and Armenia have battled four years over Nagorno-Karabakh, a predominantly Armenian enclave in Azerbaijan.



The second secon

TRIAL: Court Opens Hearing on 'Russia's Destiny'

(Continued from page 1) could not be compared to the political trials of the

ft is open to the public, he emphasized, with scores of Russian and foreign reporters present. Also, he added, both sides would be permitted to present their Instead, Mr. Gozman said, the case represents "the

beginning of our return to normal civilization."
"I hope it is the beginning of our Nuremberg trial," he went on. "They are responsible for the deaths of millions and millions and millions of people."

Gleb Yakunin, a dissident Russian Orthodox priest who was imprisoned by the Communists and oow serves as a deputy in Russia's parliament, said the trial should serve as a first step on the way to judging the party in an international court for "crimes against

Mikhail S. Gorbachev, the last president of the Soviet Union and also the last general secretary of the Communist Party, declined an invitation to attend the hearing, although he met for several hours with the In an interview with Komsomolskaya Pravda on

July 4, he rejected charges of criminal behavior by the

Soviet Union, suggesting that the United States and Soviet Union were equally guilty. There was a Cold War then with all its hot tricks," Gorbachev said. "All the leading states were involvedHertrude

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The Russian government, a judge said, submitted thousands of documents on the Communist Party's role in the coup attempt last August, its domination of the Soviet government, the press, army and society, and its repression of dissent from Stalin's time through

The documents were intended to show that the Communist Party had not been an ordinary political party with ordinary rights. The Communists' supporters noted that the party.

itself had initiated the reform process, and that Mr. Yeltsin and many of the judges had themselves been members of the Communist Party.

Despite all the anomalies, Alexander M. Yakovley, a constitutional scholar, said the court's decision could prove a mining point for a democratic Russia.
"If it is based on riling passions, it will have very little value for the future," he said. "If it is grounded in

law, regardless of result, it will be valuable, showing we are building a rule-of-law state."

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Gertrude Stein, To Sound Effects

A 'Faustus' Is a Wilson Is a Wilson

By John Rockwell

RANKFURT - The Theater am Turm in Frankfurt is one of those trendy alternative performance spaces that have cropped up all over Europe, putting on Next Wave-like productions for eager young andiences. Recently, the show was "Dr. Faustus Lights the Lights," a little-known play by Gertrude Stein that Robert Wilson has transformed into a classic

in other words, the characters in this typically elliptical Stein text, in which the Faustian theme of overreaching ambition is touched on and teased throughout, are portrayed by two or three actors. They move robotically, with "Cabaret"-like grimaces, as lighting stabs through the darkness. And there is lots of music, from chirping environmental sounds to patches of quiet instrumental texture to actual songs.

The work was first presented in April at the equally trendy Hebbel Theater in Berlin. The Frankfurt performances were an early stop on a world tour that brings the production (in English) to Alice Tully Hall in New York this month

Although Wilson is a reasonably familiar figure in his native United States, less well known is his longtime associate, the German composer and sound artist Hans Peter Kuhn. Kuhn has worked with Wilson since 1979, providing increasingly complex aural environments and ingenious sound design. Typically, a Kuhn score consists of a benign backdrop of sounds from nature. These coos and caws and rustles are sometimes punctuated by rancous screams or other

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Kuhn has helped the director in his efforts to free the actor's voice from the actor's body. In recent years, Wilson has used a system of body microphones that do far more than amplify the speaking voice. In the course of a play, they periodically transfer the voice to small loudspeakers placed throughout the theater, so the vocal sounds spin and ricochet around the space.

N "Dr. Faustus," however, Kuhn has moved much closer to being a "real" composer, partly because the lines between music, noise, sound and background have grown increasingly blurry in the experimental music scene that has flourished since the 1960s.

"In the 'Dr. Faustus' text," Kuhn said, speaking from his home in Berlin, "Stein used the word 'sings' here and there. It's oot clear whether these are stage directions or that the actors are meant to say the word. Bob and I figured they should actually sing. I went to Bob and said, 'Pd like to write some songs, though I haven't done it before.' "The result was 15 cabarelike dities, sung by the actors at key points during the play. In addition, there are more extended passages of background music sampled from brass instruments. In the early parts of the play, the sounds recall a village band in, say, Germany or Middle America. Later on, they become more hushed, more mystical — dreamily repeated chordal resolutions.

The brass band sounds recall Virgil Thomson's settings of two Stein texts in his most famous operas, "Four Saints in Three Acts" and "The Mother of Us All." Thomson, too, loved brass bands, in his case those of his Missouri youth. If Kuhn's music can seem like a sonic reduction in the wake of Minimalism, Thomson's, with its childlike simplicity, can be heard as a Minimalist anticipation.

Curiously, Kuhn says he has never heard the Thomson operas,

though he recognizes a kinship between his work and that of such American experimentalists as John Cage, Max Neuhaus and Robert Ashley. Asked if he can read notes, he responds self-deprecatingly with "jein," a blend of "ja" and "nein," meaning yes and no.

His art, in fact, has evolved out of his background in the German theater. Kuhn's career reveals how pragmatic opportunity, technical advances and artistic ambition can combine to create an original category of contemporary artist.

ORN in 1952 in Kiel, a city that hardly counts as a cultural center, Kuhn played in a rock band as a tecnager. "I involved myself in artistic things very much in my youth — theater, painting music," he said, "Today, I think of myself more as an artist than a technician. I work with technology, but so does a painter using paints and brushes." When it came time to consider a study in Beilin to become a sound engineer. But he soon found classroom work tedious, and he needed a job, since his father had died. So in the summer of 1975, he obtained a menial position in the electrical department at the Schaubfilme, then beginning to establish itself as the most distinguished of all German theaters.

Although Kuhn quickly worked his way up to chief sound engi-oeer, he felt frustrated and by the late 1970s was thinking of leaving. Then, in 1979, Robert Wilson arrived at the Schaubühne for his first

German production, "Death Destruction and Detroit."

Between the two men there soon developed a professional relationship as well as a friendship. In the past 13 years, they have collaborated on 16 productions.



A scene from the Théâtre du Châtelet production of "Cosi fan tutte" in Paris.

A Mozart Jewel at Paris's Châtelet

By David Stevens International Herald Tribune

ARIS - The Théatre du Chatelet has capped a glittering opera seasoo and added a jewel to its ongoing Mozart cycle with a pro-duction of "Cosi fan tutte" that exuded a heady meridional atmosphere and managed to be original while still being faithful.

Much of the credit must go to whomever had the idea of having John Eliot Gardiner take on the stage direction as well as his customary conducting responsibility.

Putting conductors in charge of staging is not always a wonderful idea -too often the result merely has the innocuous virtue of keeping out of the way of the music. Here the visual reinforced and played off the dramatic potency of the music, even as the music reads between da

HE faithfulness of this production came in several forms besides the period instruments of the accomplished English Baroque So-

Fiordiligi and Dorabella (Amanda Roccroft and Rosa Mannion) surely musically right, and empha-sizes the similarity of the sisters, as did their mutual blondness. Only occasional touches of color in Carlo Tommasi's costumes distinguished them, and it was left for the second act to provide the dramatic revelation of their different tem-peraments and reactions to the notion of infidelity.

Roocroft's marvelously sung "Per pieta" thus became the opera's anguished turning point.

The staging is faithful to time and place, Naples at the time the opera was writteo. Tommasi's painted backdrops and drop curtain are inspired by vedute of the period, with the bay, a smoking Vesuvius and the countryside, as well as the crumbling buildings and

overgrown gardens of a somewhat decrepit urban landscape. Vocal contrast in the casting of vomen was provided by a mezzo Despina Eirian James, no soubrette, but an earthy Neapolitan street child. This Despina starts out as the usual pawn in Don Alfonso's manipulations, but ends in a kind of power struggle as she and Claudio Nicolai's urbanely subtle Al-

the original pairings are restored but it is clear that they won't last -

Ferraodo and Fiordiligi have found each other, Dorabella and Guglielmo are lost. fonso try to pair the sisters and

Gardiner (assisted by Stephen Medcalf for the staging) had some

The lovers are handsomely east,

too, with Rainer Trost a serious

other nice touches, including an apt their lovers in different combinause of commedia dell'arte figures and a more dramatic than figurative role for the chorus (the Monteverdi Choir).

and dreamy Ferrando and Rodney Gilfry a tall and energetic Gug-And he gave an unexpected iron-ic bite to some of the musical lines when the two men return from "war" and address the girls with N THIS staging, it is as much the macho egoism of the men that is held up to loving phrases that become sarcastic by a combination of beld syllables followed by sharply bitten-off ridicule as the fragile constancy of the women. In the end, word endines.

> In the end, a production (jointly with the Teatro San Carlos of Lis-bon) that is both beautiful to look at and to bear, and which underlines the utter emotional sincerity with which Mozart clothes da Pon-

Brilliant Revival Of Wilde Classic

By Sheridan Morley International Herald Tribun

reaching the West End which this director scored a considerable success at his home base, the Glasgow Citizens, 15 years ago. In a lavishly gold-leafed setting (also designed by Prowse), some of his original ideas recur: a ghostly croquet player hovering around the

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aristocratic old ladies on the lawn at the outset, could well be the Shade of Lord Alfred Douglas, for whom Wilde was so soon to go to prison, and elsewhere the production is as markedly end-of-an-era as any re-vival of "The Cherry Orchard." The "woman" of the title is Mrs.

Arbuthnot, once mistress to the politician Lord Illiogworth but ow discarded and forgotten, until a handsome young man applies for the post of his social secretary. The man is their illegitimate son, a fact only revealed to Illingworth by Mrs. Arbuthnot after the old bounder has attempted to steal his own son's fiancée, thereby setting up a whole new range of turn-ofthe-century traumas.

Max Beerbohm always thought this the best of Wilde, and believed that he would have made a greater dramatist had he continued in its Pinero style of stately-home melodrama. But central to the play is its class warfare, and even Wilde seems to tire rapidly of the actual plot once be has managed to have his leading character shrick, "Child of my shame, be still the child of my shame" without inducing irrev-

erent audience bysteria. Prowse's production is superbly cast in its older reaches, with John Carlisle playing Illingworth as a first cousin to George Sanders, and present dowager chorus, thereby neatly cataloguing all possible mar-

self noted, achieves an odd kind of (at the Theatre Royal perfection in being totally devoid of any action whatsoever. From after it was first seen at the Barbi-can, Philip Prowse's RSC debut-up, and Prowse has brilliantly reproduction is Wilde's "A Woman moved the play from the cold stor-of No Importance," the play with age of its usually icily elegant reviv-

> At the Guildhall, a fascinating London premiere: Richard Rodgers's and Stepben Sondheim's "Do I Hear a Waltz?," which flopped on Broadway back in 1965. in a first full British staging by the brated for its final-term student rediscoveries of lost shows. The interest in this one is, of course, the sole

Rodgers and Sondheim were an ill-matched marriage, brought to-gether by the dying Oscar Hammer-stein who had more or less adopted the latter and realized the former would be in need of a new lyricist.

But Rodgers's cheery, sentimental times cannot stand the dark cynicism of Sondheim's lyrics sometimes he's homosexual, they're gonna be all right") and the show, which had triumphed earlier as a Katharine Hepborn film ("Summertime") sooo became kuowu arouod Broadway as "Dearth in Venice."

So. a quarter-century later, what are we left with? An extraordinary crossroads oear the Rialto, This unlikely, all-but-forgotten Venetian escapade about an American matron finding and then losing love by the canals, was the moment at which the old Broadway, Rodgers's Broadway, gave way to the new reality of Sondneim: as the music fights the lyrics here, so you can hear Oklahoma ighting Sweeney Todd, and it is not always a pretty sound.

But with Martin Connor as the professional director and David To-Barhara Leigh-Hunt cascading guri as the choreographer, this year's from a great height. "I believe he found her family too big, or was it her feet?" muses one of the ever-piece as we are ever likely to get.

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the United Nations opens up a humanitar-

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—is disappearing. Two-thirds of its territory is held by Serbs, who have proclaimed an

independent ethnic Serbian state that looks

to federation with Serbia. The other third is

held by Croats, who have proclaimed their

own independent ethnic Croatian state that

looks to federation with Croatia. Muslims.

the largest community in Bosnia and the

one with the most to gain from keeping

Bosnia multi-cultural and multi-religious,

have been killed in the thousands, uprooted

in the hundreds of thousands and reduced

the villain of the Yugoslav piece. Certainly

the extremist government of Slobodan Mi-

losevic so deserves. But do not overlook the

extremist Croatian government of Franjo

Tudiman. It has enjoyed largely outritical

favor because it is on the Western, anti-

Communist, Christian side of Yugoslavia's

cultural divide. But if his depredations are

less well known, President Tudjman has

conspired as an equal with President Milo-

long ago, the Soviet president, Mikhail Gorv, went in the economic summit meet-

ing of the seven industrial democracies ask-

ing for aid, vaguely promising to launch market reforms. Now the Russian president,

Boris Yeltsin, is going before the same group,

meeting in Munich, also to ask for aid. But

he comes with more than promises. Russia

Uotil the past few days the West had

reacted more with promises of its own than

with cash. Last spring it promised \$24 bil-

ion as soon as Russia and the International

Monetary Fund could work out a feasible

reform package. But the fund dithered,

unwilling to take a prudent chance on

Finally, on Friday, under pressure from the Bush administration, Michel Camdessus,

managing director of the IMF, flew to Rus-

sia, then announced an agreement -- over

the seeming objections of his staff and just in

President George Bush deserves credit for

turning the IMF around. He understands

that the West's self-interest lies in supporting

Mr. Yeltsin's beroic efforts. The important task is to provide some instant relief, to get

Russia through current turmoil and use the

next several months to negotiate the unresolved differences over the details. This

weekend, Mr. Camdessus got the message.

Just since January, Mr. Yeltsin has de-

controlled most prices, cut the deficit by an

astonishing 75 percent and pushed through

sure the Poles that they still have good

friends in high places. This message comes to Poland in a bleak season in which politi-

cal fragmentation and internecine bickering

are threatening the great progress that the

country made in the first couple of years

after the fall of the Communist regime. Mr.

Bush sought to remind Poles that their

troubles are not caused by the reforms but

by the mismanagement that preceded them.

will become a model of successful transition

to guide and encourage the similar transi-

tion to a free economy that is now begin-

ning among the much larger and poorer

populations in the former Soviet lands. The

Poles have been more successful than any-

one expected in raising their exports to

Western Europe. The great danger now is

But Poland has been without an effective

government for more than a mouth because

the designated prime minister cannot find a

parliamentary majority. The International Monetary Fund cut off further lending to

ist tradition. A republic whose founders

exalted sovereignty above all is now leading

the way to European union while politicians bred to baiting the English are seeking a new

Dublin's new prime minister, Albert

Reynolds, can claim a major triumph in persuading the Irish electorate to endorse

closer political union with Europe under the

Maastricht treaty. It helped that Irish farm-

ers have benefited generously from Europe-

an subsidies. But voters ignored cries of

alarm from the nationalist fringe and over-

whelmingly approved European union. Fol-

lowing Denmark's rejection of the Maas-

tricht pact, the Irisb outcome gave a

relationship with an ancient adversary.

continued indecision and paralysis in a gov-

ernment that needs to move fast.

The West anxiously hopes that Poland

time for Mr. Yeltsin's trip to Munich.

the Yeltsin government.

has adopted astonishingly radical reforms.

In the West, Serbia is commonly seen as

territorially and politically to near zero.

Herald Eribune.

Eight Behind Bosnia

Russia Deserves Help

What a difference a year makes: Just that a bill that eventually will privatize most

Bosnia now is close to being erased from

the map. Increasingly in respect to Yugosla-

via the policy question is framed as a choice

between military intervention and hand-

wringing. But there are other alternatives.

Right now the seven most powerful nations

of the world, democracies all, are meeting in

Munich; Boris Yeltsin joined them Tuesday.

The eight could make the simple electrifying statement that they will not accept as a fact

the forceful disappearance of the state of

Bosnia, any more than they accepted the

eradication of Kuwait. They could extend to

Creatia the economic sanctions now in force

against Serbia, and on the same grounds of a

violation of a basic international rule com-

pelling one nation to respect another's terri-

torial and political integrity.

Let no one imagine that Muslim Bosnians,

swallowed by Serbia and Croatia, will go gently into the night. The carving up of

Bosnia means virtually endless war there and

the almost certain escalation to Kosovo and

Macedonia. Up to now it has been a matter

of the relative standing of this ethnic group

or that. Now it becomes a matter of the fate

of nations. Coming to grips with the change

state-owned enterprises. The fund has ap-

plauded these measures but still fears, justi-

fiably, that Russia is printing rubles freely.

at a rate that will trigger ruinous inflation.

One reason for all the new rubles is the

government's continuing subsidies of oil

at below-market prices. A second reason is

to pay for credits that state-owned enter-

prises have extended one another when they

ran out of cash. Finally, the IMF fears that

Russia cannot by itself rein in the supply of

rubles because central banks in the other

as the Bush administration onderstands, is

oot to sit idly by as the Russian economy

the IMF announcement oow finally accepts. Russia will get \$1 billion immediate-

ly, which may lead some of the Western

powers meeting in Munich to release more

of the promised \$24 billion in aid. The

remainder will await the outcome of further

negotiations over oil prices and other in-

For all this to work, the Western govern-

ments will have to keep the heat on the IMF.

The fund's staff seems more committed to

protecting itself from criticism than to help-

Russia complete its radical reforms.

Baker says, is to strike a workable, not a

perfect, deal. It is still far from clear wheth-

The West earlier had put up a currency

stabilization fund of \$1 billion to help Po-

land make the zloty convertible, and that

operation has been wholly successful. Mr.

Bush now proposes to turn the stabilization

fund, no longer necessary, into direct aid to

support investment. That is a sensible idea.

But helpful though the cash will be, it has to

be said that the real barrier to faster foreign

investment in Poland is the delay in estab-

lishing clear laws to govern property and private ownership. Until investors know

exactly what they are buying and how it is

to be taxed, only the most adventurous will

Mr. Bush told the Poles that the world

understands the stress under which they are

living and working. His short speech was a

pep talk, urging them not in lose their original vision of three years ago. But fur-

ther progress requires political decisions. It

would he best if they were made soon.

Failure of the Polish reforms would not

only mean new burdens, it would he a had

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

omen for Poland's neighbors to the east.

put their money into Poland.

er the IMF knows the difference.

Poland's Bleak Season

George Bush's brief visit to Warsaw was Poland last year because the government

An Ireland Redefined

a morale-raising mission designed to reas- was losing control of its deficit

The goal, as Secretary of State James

- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

ducements to print money.

These threats are grave. But the answer,

lapses. The answer is engagement, which

republics can, in effect, print their own.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

is the task before the eight at Munich.

While few were watching, Ireland has been redefining a once unyielding national not abandoning their belief that Northern Ireland's six counties should permanently remain part of Britain. But their trip sug-

gests a willingness in discuss grievances more openly and with less rancor. The talks have been nurtured by Sir Patrick Mayhew of Britain, building on an initiative begun by Peter Brooke, his predecessor as secretary of state for Northern Ireland. What favored their cause was growing revulsion over killings by extremists on both sides.

The North's Protestants want Dublin to withdraw a claim to speak for all of Ireland. They demand changes in a 1985 agreement that gives Dublin a consultative role in Northern Ireland. For their part, leaders of the underdog Catholics in the north want real guarantees of their civil and human rights. The heartening change is that the contending communities are confronting their bitter differences soberly and seriously. This process deserves the fullest support of Dublin, London and Brussels.

— THE NEW YORK TIMES.

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Borcott (1) Baltics: The Russians Should Be Heading for the Door

By Carl Bildt

The writer is prime minister of Sweden.

their lost independence. But almost a year has gone by and more than 100,000 Russian troops remain ment started in earnest, not a shot on Baltic territory. This is an has been fired against any Russian, anomaly in today's Europe, and a civilian or military. It would be un-

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8, 1992

On Thursday, when the summit meeting of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe opens in Helsinki, discussion is bound to focus on how to prevent and contain the conflicts that have empted since the dissolution of the Soviet empire. The threat of war posed by ethnic, religious and linguistic conflicts is the major new challenge to European stability. It is a threat that may now focus on this issue. After several false starts last fall, prove much more difficult to handle

than that of nuclear war. Geographic proximity and his-torical ties explain why we Swedes care deeply about the situation in

STOCKHOLM — Last fall the Baltic states finally regained

most worrying one.

Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania. The Soviet, and later the Russian, army has been in the Baltic countries since Stalin annexed them in 1939-40. No agreement regulates the army's presence there oow.

The Russians agree that their

troops will have to leave, but they say a withdrawal can begin only after 1994 and will he completed some time late in the century. Needless to say, this is unacceptable to the Baltic leaders. They want the Russians out by the end of this year. Given their experience, the Balts' fears and sense of urgency are not bard to understand.

The longer Russian troops remain on Baltic territory, the greater is the danger of incidents between these troops and fledgling Baltic defense forces. There are growing signs that Russian Army personnel are in-volved in illegal arms sales to supplement their meager salaries.

But beyond the immediate dangers, important principles are at stake. Foreign troops simply should not be stationed on the territory of another state without that state's consent. Russia is reportedly beginning to call its troops home from other republics of the Commonwealth of Independent States, particularly where they are coming under fire. Yet the Russians are not leaving the Baltic countries, never part of the Commonwealth,

Estonians, Latvians and Lithnanians waged their independence struggle with exemplary restraint.

fortunate if radical Balts were now to conclude that they are being pealized for their moderation.

The Russian soldiers are hardly to be blamed. Our reports are that they feel isolated, provoked by Baltic overnments and, above all, ignored y Russian politicians. The Russian leadership needs in

negotiations on a troop pull-out fi-naily got under way in February. They quickly bogged down, and now both sides appear inflexible. Russia's new democratic leader-

ship needs to remind itself of the torical context and realize that Baltic fears are not irrational. As the stronger party. Russia must take the first step and begin a serious pullout. A suitable gesture would be to leave the Baltic capitals.

In num, Baltic leaders must be prepared to abandon their maximalpositions. All Russian military units cannot leave at once. But some can leave now, and all of them soon. What is preently needed is an agreed timetable for their withdrawal.

President Boris Yeltsin supported.

the Baltic cause long before the August coup attempt. "It is Russia," he told the U.S. Congress, "that ended imperialism and was the first to recognize the Baltic states." True. Now Russia needs to act on that.

As the Russians retreat, the Baltic countries will have to build up their armed forces. The new European security architecture now evolving will have to accommodate the secon

Russia has frequently raised the issue of the Russian-speaking minorities in Estonia and Latvia.

It needs to be pointed out that "minority" is a misnomer. The Latvians are probably outnumbered by Russians and other groups in their own country. Most of the Russians, Belarussians, and Ukrainians living in the Baltics do not speak the language of the country where they live.

At the same time, Russian-speakers in the Baltic states are in many ways victims themselves of a delibcrate Stalinist colonization policy which, among other crimes, deported and killed thousands of Balts. The issue of the Russian-speakers

in the Baltics is probably one of those issues for which there are no really good solotions, only workable ones. Yet, having discussed the question with my Baltic colleagnes, I am hopeful that the interests of the

rity concerns of Estonia, Latvia and Lithuania, as well as of Russia.

Russian-speakers can be safeguarded in accordance with relevant international conventions and laws. Minorities in the Baltic countries

enjoyed extensive rights during the prewar years. Clear statements from current Baltic leaders that similar policies will be pursued today would be very helpful.

But there must be no coupling of the troop problem to the minority issue. Statements from some Russian politicians that the Russian Army is: needed in the Baltics to protect Russian interests there demonstrate an ignorance of international law, are not substantiated by the facts and are counterproductive.

Foreign armies cannot remain in other countries against the wishes of those countries. Clearly the Russian Army will have to leave the Baltic states. The parties concerned need to start thinking seriously and carefully about how to get the job done.

To the Latvians, Good Intentions Aren't Enough

R IGA, Latvia — In the sunny streets of this old Hanseatic city the arts and commerce are flourishing once again. You can buy a bright Baltic seascape at a street bazaar for a few dollars; and if you listen carefully you can hear Beatles tunes played by brass bands. Behind St. Peter's church the other morning I heard a version of "Let It Be" in chords as rich as an old chorale.

It has been a glorious spring here, warm and dry, good for everyone but the farmers, they say. Even the weather seems to be celebrating the liberation of the Baltic nations from half a century of Soviet rule and domination. And the ingathering of the exiles has begun. The new prime minister, a hearded physicist, has returned from university professorship in Austria to take the belm. Young Americans of Latvian ancestry are working at the Foreign Ministry and editing the new independent press. Ints Silins, the U.S. ambassador, is a native Latvian who fled as a boy in 1944, universally referred to as "the year the Russians came back.'

But beneath all these signs of national resurgence. Latvia really has one consuming passion -the consolidation of its national independence and one disturbing worry: Russian intentions. A half century of Soviet occupation began in 1939-40 with the Hitler-Stalin Pact and was only briefly interrupted by the German take-over for most of World War II. The long Russian dominance has left ethnic Latvians a minority in most of the cities, including Riga, Some of the Russians here are quite as passionately proindependence as their Latvian brethren, and they

By Edwin M. Yoder Jr.

voted accordingly in the referendum last year. The more visible problem lies in the remnants of the old Soviet security apparatus, including a standing Russian army whose numbers can only be estimated. The standard figure is upward of 55,000, and many think it is higher. One hears stories of Russia slipping soldiers into Latvia disguised as civilians.

So the question that preoccupies thoughtful Latvians today is who, in the reborn Latvia, can safely be reckoned a genuine Latvian? How shall citizenship be defined? It may be paranois; but every Latvian fears some sort of quiet de facto reabsorption into the Russian orbit. And even when the last Russian soldier has gone home, that issue will linger, given the huge numbers of ethnic Russians who live here.

Latvia's ultranationalists would prefer a citizenship rule grandfathered, in effect, all the way back in 1939. To be a citizen with full voting rights you would have to have been a citizen before the Hitler-Stalin Pact or else descended directly from someone who was.

Fortunately, the ultras supporting this chauvin-istic approach in citizenship seem to be a minority, Not only would such a solution slight Latvian patriots of Russian extraction; it could provoke Russian foot-dragging in the promised military withdrawal. So the more likely rule is a residence requirement — 10 years, perhaps — plus compe-tence in the Latvian language. The era of Soviet domination brought a flood of Russian security officials, workers and bureaucrats who almost contemptuously refused to learn the language.

Thus, while the weather is cheerful and the arts

are again flourishing in the streets, Latvia has a problem. Russian intentions may be honorable. Latvians note that Botis Yeltsin called for Baltic independence two years ago, the first important Soviet official to do so, when it was risky.

But as one member of parliament says, "Good

Russian democrats can be nationalists too, and the Russians, even with Boris Yeltsin as their president, are attached to their privileges here. My sense is that American economic aid to Russia should be quietly but firmly conditioned on the withdrawal of the Russian military forces - though not by making withdrawal a rigid coodition (as some amendments to the aid package, fortunately rejected in recent Senate

votes, would have done).

In Riga at the moment, hope and aspiration are curiously blended with a sense that Latvian independence is turning on a knife's edge. And bad examples are multiplying elsewhere. Some Latvian nationalists read the disturbing news from Sarajevo and wonder what lesson, precisely, disgruntled Soviet army officers (who tend to retire in oumbers in Riga) might draw from PROTECTION OF THE PROPERTY OF

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Serbia's as yet unchecked aggressiveness against the departing Yugoslav republics.

Latvia, in other words, is simply another example of the utter complexities of the new. post-Soviet freedom.

Washington Post Writers Group.



Halfway to Hell and Stumbling Ahead

written, George Bush is in Munich — which, by my reckoning of his 1992 political journey, is almost exactly halfway between New Hampshire and Hell.

Hell for Mr. Bush would be a November election defeat that would make him the first Republican president since Herbert Hoover to fail in a

yet the verdict of the first primary, back in February, was so clear that even this often-obtuse columnist could write, "After New Hampshire, no one can doubt that George Bush must recast his presidency - not just his campaign, but his government -if he is going to win a second term." Half the time Mr. Bush had available for that task has passed, and there are no

that task has passed, and there are no signs he is any closer in a solution.

The pathern simply, is that whenever life, bush is pushed out of the protective cocoon of the presidency into direct communication with the American people, "the shallowness of his rhetoric and the thinness of his domestic program is exposed."

Those are the words I used to de-

scribe what happened to Mr. Bush in New Hampshire, when Patrick Buchanan's upstart challenge forced the president to campaign there.

Those same words could apply to
Mr. Bush's televised encounter one

ciectoral disaster for Mr. Bush.

The problem is not Mr. Bush's campaign; it is his government. He

tives to be wary of Ross Perot's candidacy.

One Conservative's Beef With Perot

As A conservative who watched low taxes and restrained government spending and interference create the world's strongest economy, and

who sought the presidency on these principles in 1988, I urge fellow conserva-

protector of Ronald Reagan's legacy, I support him for re-election because be understands the policies that made the 1980s prosperous.

the 1980s as a problem to be overcome rather than a model to be studied.

While conservatives may not see President George Bush as the most diligent

Conversely, Mr. Perot has joined the noisy anti-Reagan minority that sees

Mr. Perot favors an industrial policy. He wants the government to be able to

tell the private sector how to plan its future. He denies that he holds this

position, but his denial is implausible given his expressions of admiration for

Japan's industrial-policy power base, the Ministry of Trade and Industry -a

He is a protectionist. He opposes the North American Free Trade Agree-

And Mr. Perot will raise taxes. "You bet we've got to raise taxes," he said in

ment. But we know that trade increases the wealth of both the importer and

1987. Last week be added, "Let's assume that we're just unable to pay our

exporter; we know that free trade increases, not decreases, our prosperity.

- Pete du Pont, Delaware governor from 1977 to 1985, in The New York Times.

government cartel. America does not need government cartels.

bills, unable to meet our obligations, we have to raise our taxes."

By David S. Broder

morning last week with dozens of voters whom CBS had randomly selected from the line of visitors waiting to see the White House.

Their questions reflected the national anxiety about taxes, debts and deficits, about jobs, health care, education, crime and drugs. Mr. Bush's answers, like those be gave in New Hampshire, were an unconvincing mixture of blue-sky optimism and

scapegoating of Congress.
"I'm bullish on America," he said one moment, sounding like a stock-broker. "If you want to change something," he said to those who were not reassured by that borrowed slogan, "change Congress."

Those answers were not persuasive in New Hampshire and they are not persuasive are not persuasive are not even in Republicans. In New Hampshire, Mr. Bush lost 37 percent of the Republicans to Mr. Buchanan and 7 percent to Democratic writer Poet APC News and 24 Washington Post-ABC News poll, 34 percent of Republicans said that they have abandoned Mr. Bush for Ross

Perot and 6 percent said they had gone to Bill Clinton. If that persists, it spells electoral disaster for Mr. Bush.

has made no changes at the top since New Hampshire signaled the seriousness of his re-election problem. And he has not shifted his focus one iota. This week finds him on another

international journey, doing what he likes best — practicing summitry. But voters preoccupied with problems in their homes, schools and neighborhoods may question the relevance of Mr. Bush's travels as much as they do his handling of the domestic economy. And on that central issue, Mr. Bush has not been well-served by his instincts or his advisers.

He abandoned the central promise of his 1988 campaign — "no new taxes" — in the fall of 1990, to get a budget agreement that those advisers said would let the Federal Reserve Board case interest rates enough to assure that the looming recession

would he short and shallow. as they predicted, or as Mr. Bush hoped. The unemployment report last week, the worst in eight years, signaled the weekers of the recovery. It brought to the surface the inner conflicts in an administration split be-tween activists who want to tackle the economy and other domestic problems and the cautious folks who say things will right themselves if the gov-

ermment just doesn't overreact.
The latter school, led by Treasury
Secretary Nicholas Brady, has prevailed on most matters with Mr. Bush, in part because of Mr. Brady's personal ties to Mr. Bosh and in part because his advice to leave the domestic economy alone allows Mr. Bush to pursue his own overriding interest in international affairs. But that advice is oddly out of tune with an electorate which says, in poll after poll, that the country

is seriously off track.

Mr. Bush now has little time to recover his footing, and few ways to do it. He can hope his opponents stumble --- and try to knock them offbalance with surrogate attacks. He can try to use the Republican National Convention next month to persuade voters that he is more in tune with their concerns than they suppose. And he can hope that the economy shows unexpected vigor this fall Better he had heeded the message of New Hampshire and moved earlier.

The Washington Post.

Some Good May Yet Come From the Judge's Death

By Peter Secchia

had taken on an extraordinary job: turf in Sicily. He was the closest thing Italy had to a living symbol of resis-

tance to organized crime.

I last saw Judge Falcone on May 21 at dinner in my home. Two days later he was dead. He, his wife and three Sicilian anti-terrorist agents assigned to stay with him at all times were brutally murdered by the Mafia killed by a huge bomb while traveling on the autostrada near Palermo.

Through the 1980s, Judge Falcone spearheaded the efforts of Sicily's re-nowned anti-Matia magistrates. He built extensive and complex legal cases against notorious Malia figures. and brought them to court in involving hundreds of Mafiosi at a time.

His investigative abilities and inde-fatigable work habits, his sincerity, honesty and bravery were an inspiration not only to his colleagues but to those members of the Mafia who were ready to "talk."

It was these qualities that enabled Judge Falcone to penetrate the Mafia code of silence and expose the workings of a sophisticated, complex and vicious organization. Through it all. he remained a man of honor.

Giovanni Falcone was a friend of the United States. He worked closely with American officials against those operating the notorious "pizza con-nection," which distributed heroin all along the East Coast of the United States. His efforts, cooperation and invaluable experience were instrumental in the convictions of 21 of 22 defendants on charges of trafficking racketeering and money laundering.
Judge Falcone's funeral, televised nationally, saw him mourned by an

array of the Leaders. At the services in Palermo, I felt the emotional distress of thousands of mourners as they crowded into the basilica, while more than 10,000 people lined the streets outside to pay

The writer is U.S. ambassador to Italy. R OME — Judge Giovanni Faltheir last respects to the judge who
had come to symbolize their hopes of was also a brave and decent man who escaping the Mafia.

The most moving moment came in prosecuting the Mafia on its home a tearful public plea by the widow of a tearril public plea by the widow of one of the judge's stain bodyguards. She forgave the men who killed her husband, but pleaded with them to

change their ways.

But among other Sicilians, who
have suffered for generations under the Mafia yoke, it was clear there was a feeling of deep anger, a desire that justice be done at last. There were cries for liberation from a system that enslaves the Sicilian people and forces them to sell their souls. It is a system that funnels taxes

from working people to the construc-tion of buildings that are never completed. It is a system that controls the water supply in southern Italy and Sicily, and that dictates to farmers what can and cannot be produced. This tyranny cannot last. The Ma-

fia must be destroyed. As the Italian government was able to defeat the Red Brigade terrorists of the 1970s. so Italy will defeat the Mafia. It was the murder of Prime Minis-

ter Aldo Moro that galvanized the population in its fight against terrorism. We can only hope that the mander of Judge Falcone will do the same for the fight against the Mafia. Gianni Falcone's mission was to engage the Mafia and defeat it. Both Italians and Americans must take up where he left off, and continue his battle. This is a battle in which more than power will be decisive. An essen-

tial element in winning it will be a change of attitude among the people.
Hollywood must stop portraying
the Mafia as an honorable, romantic the Mafia as an honorable, romanti and somehow quaint fraternity and show it for what it is: an organization of crude, dangerous people who will not hesitate it is the best around us if they stand in its way. It showed this most clearly in its assassination of Giovanni Falcone. I hope his death will not go for naught.

The Washington Post.

IN OUR PAGES: 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1892: Carnegie's Crisis

NEW YORK — In the course of the struggle at Mr. Carnegie's steel works at Homestead yesterday [July 6], the detectives displayed a flag of truce. It was, however, struck by bullets, and towards dosk efforts were made in burn the boats containing the detection. tives. The riot appears to have been the climax of the troubles which have been brewing for a month. The com-pany submitted a scale making sweep-ing reductions in the wages of skilled men and announced that, unless these terms were accepted, the places of the men would be filled by others.

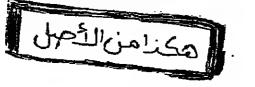
1917: No Spirited Debate

WASHINGTON - With no more cognac from France and no more whiskey from Great Britain, spirits seem to have no friends left in the United States and to have been quietly buried without a tear being shed, for no open fight was made to stave erally acquiesced when yesterday evening [July 6] first the House and then the Senate put a ban on distilled spirits. The Senate, however, was less exigent than the House and met the President's wish by lifting the House prohibition of beer and light wines.

1942: An Argentine Bias BUENOS AIRES - From our New

York edition: | Argentina apparently

abandoned all pretensions to the neutral right of freedom of the seas tonight when she admitted Germany's right to establish blockades at will, according to Foreign Office sources, which reported that the government was about to publish a decree forbidding Argentine merchant vessels to enter war zones. Recognizing the German-proclaimed blockade of the United States and Canadian east coasts, the decree was reported to accept the Nazi definition of war zones by providing that Argentine ships sailing for the United States will go only off the ban of Congress. People gen-



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By A. M. Rosenthal

Boycott China and Its Slave Labor

N EW YORK — Long before the extermination camps, the world

knew that Hitler's basic instruments of

vated him to office, "black books" were

ambassadors were accredited to a re-

gime from hell and their businessmen

were buying its products.

Most people did little or nothing until the war. But some did. They too acknowledged the truth and fought it with their voices, however lonely, with whatever economic and political

strength they had, however small, After World War II the underground

writings of the Soviet freedom lighters told the world about the Soviet gulag.

Most people did little or nothing.

But some did. They acknowledged the truth and fought with whatever energy

Now, black books are being pob-

ished again. They are about another national system of torture and murder

— the Chinese Communist gulag, where every day of every year 16 mil-lion to 20 million men and women

labor and suffer in slavery.

They live — they exist — in a world

of torture, starvation and humiliation

meticulously planned to create greater

profit through greater production

for the Communist government. We

Recently I wrote about a report on

China's slave laborers - "Laogai: The

Chimese Gulag " by Hongda Harry Wu.

He spent 19 years in the slave camps.

I could not escape that book and

cannot escape another on my table. It is

about the hundreds of prisons in the huge province of Hunan. "Anthems of Defeat" is reported with documentation, statistical tables, notes and names

by Tang Bogiao, a Chinese dissident.

Mr. Tang was moved from prison to prison and has compiled this annotated

encyclopedia of evil. It is published by

All prisoners received trials - with-

out confrontation of witnesses or pleas

Professor Peng Yuzhang, in his 70s, was sent to Changsa No. 1 jail for back-

ing student sit-ins. He was placed on the

shackle board," a door-sized plank

with shackles for hands and feet and a

Chained to the board, he would sing

encouragement to student prisoners he .

could not see. Sometimes he would cry

out, "I need a bath." He remained on the

Asia Watch in New York.

of innocence permitted,

hole for defecation.

and power they had

are the customers.

power were torture and murder.

board for three months. Then he was Only shortly after the Germans elesent to a psychiatric asylum. Is be alive? The shackle board was just one form published in the West - detailed reports of the flogging, genital tortures, and deaths by suffocation carried out routinely in Gestapo prisons.

From then on, the nations knew their of punishment. Other commonplaces: Torture with electric prods. Public whippings to the blood. Forced boot-licking. Chaining, face on cell floor, arms around toilet buckets in use through the night by other prisoners.

dozen kinds of hand and ankle cuffs, sometimes with iron rods between

Prisoners who do not fill work quotas are punished by torture, by starvation, and by extended sentences.

them to make movement almost impossible. Multiple fetters to shackle prisoners together. "Martial arts" - guards kicking prisoners into unconsciousness. Solitary confinement in metal boxes so small that prisoners can neither be down properly nor stand up straight. "Electric shackle treatment" — shock applied through hand and ankle cuffs.

often while the victim is chained to the shackle board.

Prisoners who do not fill work quotas are punished by all these tortures, by starvation diets, and by extended sen-tences. By official Communist policy their work is considered an essential part of Chinese export.

So we know - no escape. What can we do? American laws against buying products of forced labor are sieves. But stockholders can raise the issue at company meetings.

Are we selling slave labor goods, or using our pension funds, to help the torturers? Please investigate and report back. Before we buy, we can ask shopkeepers to find out from their vendors what "made in China" means - made where, by whom?

President George Bush has vetoed evcry congressional attempt to apply mild economic sanctions to the Chinese Communists. This battle will not end, whoever is elected president.

Meanome, will all the delegates at the

Republican and Democrace conventions remain mute about slavery and torture in China? Will Ross Perot? Or will they cleanse themselves of silence - at least some of

The New York Times.



Time, for One Class of '42, Seems to Have Stood Still

By James L. Greenfield

NEW YORK — For a young man in Many of the teachers were dedicated, High School. The draft was scooping up every able-bodied 18-year-old in the neighborhood. The Depression had hit the city hard and except for some sprouting defense industries it was still a town on its uppers.

Until graduation day, however, few members of the class of '42 worried

MEANWHILE

about war or the Depression. Heights High was a pleasant school with a big front lawn surrounded by middle-class one-family houses. Bobby sox and saddle shoes were in. If there was a school hero, it was Sam Sheppard, later the focus of a celebrated murder trial. He was class president, captain of the football team and, by graduation, going steady with the most popular girl in the school, Marilyn Reese.

At lunch time, students could jitterbug in the gym to a jukebox that blared out Glenn Miller and Tommy Dorsey.

How insensitive and sexist of Donna

D. C. McKNIGHT.

Ankeny, Iowa.

Evieth to refer to male circumcision as

The United States has the moral obli-

gation to put pressure on the Arab na-tions to end the boycott of Israel and of

the companies doing husiness with Isra-

el. There can be no negotiations regarding "peace talks" if the Arab boycott

Suburban Cleveland, 1942 was not but the homework was light and hardly a vintage year to graduate from Heights anyone overtaxed his brain. Still, threeanyone overtaxed his brain. Still, three-fourths of the seniors went on to college. In those days, you could work your way through Ohio State by washing dishes and waiting tables.

A few weeks ago, several hundred members of the class of '42 made it back for their 50th reunion. First encounters were a shock; few classmates recognized one another. One member of the organizing committee, Dr. Sandford Arons, said the committee's first meeting was filled with awkward silences, since few of the members had bothered to keep

track of one another.

Predictably, talk about Sam Sheppard's murder trial in 1954 proved a great ice-breaker. Sam was one of Cleve-land's leading doctors and, though he insisted to the end that a bushy-haired intruder had done the deed, he was con-victed of bludgeoning Marilyn, by then his wife, to death. After his conviction, the school took down his football picture, then put it back up when several classmates complained. In 1966, the Supreme Court overturned the conviccion because the trial bad been conducted "in a carnival atmosphere." Sam became a wrestler and died a few years later.

There were no blacks at the reunion; as well as anyone could remember, there were no blacks in the class. Nowadays, Heights High is 65 percent black. The school is still surrounded by tidy singlefamily homes. But the middle-class whites have long since moved to more distant suburbs and middle-class blacks have moved in.

The front lawn has been usurped by science and physical education buildings, obscuring the Georgian facade. The school is still relatively safe, but burly student guards patrol the corridors. Two-thirds of the students — only a modest drop — go on to college.

The class of '42 scattered after gradu-

ation, many to California. An informal poll at the Saturday night dance re-vealed that only a few graduates still lived in the suburb and only one still lived in the school district.

Pushing 70, we looked and acted much younger, or so we thought. Several dentists said they had cut back to two days a week; they good-naturedly tolerated the inevitable retort: "I thought that's all you ever worked." Bob Gordon, a retired funeral director, wondered if anyone would

whistle, oo one wanted this to be the class of '42's last burrah. Someone suggested another remnion in '95. Why not? With longevity taken for granted these days, most of us will probably make it. The New York Times.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Brushes With Correctness

Regarding "A Dying Ideology Be-queaths Us Its Deadening Way of Think-ing" (Meanwhile, June 27-28):

Doris Lessing is right in stating that "Political Correctness" (which she capitalizes, as though it were an official party) was born with the death of comsm. The only trouble is, the people who invented it are not the ones who supposedly practice it. The inventors are what was once called the Establishment, be it literary — like Ms. Lessing — or political — like Dan Quayle et al. Nowadays, all one has to do to be tarred with the Politically Correct brush is to mildly object to a one-sided presentation in academics or the media. Suddenly, society is menaced by the "Pobtical Correctors," as Ms. Lessing calls them - the nameless, omnipresent (Red? Green?) menace. Who, after all, has been run-ning the United States and much of Europe for the past 12 years? It certainly hasn't been the purveyors of so-called Political Correctness.

JOHN G. H. OAKES. Reinbek, Germany.

Ms. Lessing delivered her trendy attack on "Political Correctness" at Rutgers University, where the late historian Sir Moses Finley was fired during the anti-Communist witch-hunt of the '50s, What firings of far-rightists justify her talk of a leftist witch-hunt today?

Anti-Communists orphaned by the demise of the CP have conjured up a

sing sees communism everywhere even in the perfectly traditional notion that literature is "about" something One wonders how a diistinguished novelist could commit such a blunder.

MARK ANSPACH.

Stuarts and Hanovers

Regarding "Wasn't the Monarchy Sup-posed to Be About Stable Marriage?" (Opinion, June 17) by Anthony Burgess: In a Jacobite never-never land, it may be possible to believe that Hanovers are gay and Stuarts are straight. But Stephen B. Baxter, anthor of the standard biography, shows that the tale of William III's homosexuality was a calumny. DAVID DORRANCE

Ethics and Animals

Regarding "Much Ado About Foic Gras Ethics" (Opinion, May 26):

Mitchell Davis makes contradictory assertions that the animal kingdom is "not less deserving of respect" than the human, but "when we talk about ethics, we are not talking about ducks." Perhaps this is an indication of the dilemma for any contemporary intellectual gourmet, not just the editor of Art Culinaire, May I speak for one or two animals currently in pain in hoping that his ethics eventually prevail over his stomach? JAMES NEALE.

Ruling on Abortion

Regarding "Supreme Court Trims Some Protection but Backs Abortion Right" (June 30) by Ruth Marcus:

The issue of abortion should return to the states, where it belongs, and has belonged all along in America's constitutional democracy, where the federal government has only those powers dele-gated to it, not all those it would like to have. And to those liberals who wish it to have the kind of power it grabbed in Roe v. Wade, I would say: Be careful. That is a two-edged sword. There is danger in giving up the compass of the Constitution in favor of the rule of men. DUANE STANFIELD.

Forres, Scotland.

They're Personal Choices John J. McCarthy Jr.'s anguish over "abortion on demand, mothers in combat, no-fault divorce, gay and lesbian 'marriage' and so on (Letters, June 26)

is the politics of nonsense.
What is he bewailing? Mothers in combat? Meaning what? That they might not get home in time to make dinner? This may roll Mr. McCarthy's sleep, but it is a personal choice, not a moral issue. So are his other nightmares. Not one is the government's husiness.

In an election year, people want to know why the "environmental president" shamed America by scorning the consensus of other nations at Rio de Janeiro on sensible measures for preserving our planet; or how the once-exemplary U.S.

educacional system fell into min under the "education president."

The widening gap between rich and poor is an issue. Crime, racial tension, collapsing inner cities — these are is-sues. May I suggest to Mr. McCarthy that attacking those whose views or lifestyles he scorns - but who have the same rights as be does to a respectful hearing and a place in American society
— will not make the issues go away.

LAWRENCE ELLIOTT. Democrats in Luxembourg.

Luxembourg.

Infants Have Rights

Regarding "Call It What It Is"

Donna Evleth characterizes male circumcision as "benign," and not as much a "mutilation" as female circumcision. It is oot benign and is every bit as much

RONALD F. GOLDMAN. Boston.

Female circumcision is usually - but not always - more severe than male circumcision. Male circumcision cannot be "benign." The mere fact that the operation is being performed on girls, as op-posed to boys, does not make it any more a crime, nor does it make the religious, superstitious, "hygienic," cultural, or "medical" reasons for it any more illogi-

> RICH ANGELLL Yongao, Japan.

mains in force. The United States has a security interest in enabling Israel to fulfill its potential for privatization and economic

growth. TOBY WILLIG.

End the Arab Boycott

Regarding "'Dream Team' a World-Class Nightmare" (Sports, June 30): America's Olympie hasketball "dream team" may boast an unprece-dented collection of talent, but let's not forget the 1960 U.S. Olympic team. That year's gold medalists included Oscar Robertson, Jerry West and Jerry Lucas, all future first-team NBA All-Stars. They were backed up by the likes of Terry Dischinger, Darrel Imhoff, Walt Bellamy and Bob Boozer, Celtic superstar John Havlicek made the 1960 Olympic team - as an alternate.

AUGUST MAFFRY.

An Earlier Dream Team

recognize him in a brown suit. And "Mickey" reminded everyone that she long ago reverted to "Miriam."

By Sunday brunch, when Clair Leventhall Baridey, the reunion chairman, sounded a final blast on her bosun's



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At Central Europe's Center, Change Is Accelerating

One keynote of the world economic summit in Munich is regions in transformation and how to assist them. Few cities and states have gained as great an expertise in this area as Munich and the state of Bavaria.

Bavaria's preparations to go interna-tional with a new airport, a new water artery and dozens of infrastructural changes have been accelerated by the political and economic revolution in Eastern and Central

Germany's largest state and its high-technology center, Bavaria is

60,000 commute from Eastern Germany

not a new state, although it may seem that way sometimes. Driving along the autobahn A9, which runs from Nuremberg to Munich, motorists can see barges adorned with Dutch or Hungarian flags steaming down the Rhine Main Danube canal. People who remember such border towns as Waidhaus or Selb as woodsy backwaters may be slightly shocked to see the streets of the present-day towns thronging with pan-European shoppers and swappers.

The essentials of the state - its geography and economy - have remained the same. Bavaria is still the largest of Germany's states, although its 70,600 square kilometers (27,2500 square miles) now account for only 19.7 percent of the unified country. In 1991, its rate of growth outpaced the country's as a whole, 3.8 percent to 3.3 percent. Exports, led by Europe's most productive electronics sector, amounted to almost 100 billion Deutsche marks (\$156 billion).

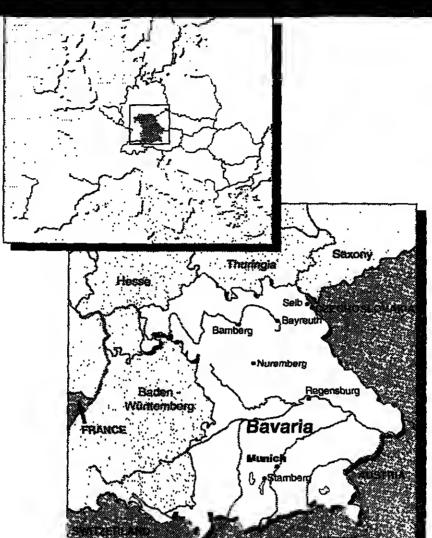
The recent changes are highly apparent and easy to enumerate. Three borders have been opened. To link Bavaria to the East German states of Saxony and Thuringia and to the Czech and Slovak republics, eight rail and road connections have either been rebuilt or upgraded. Two months ago, Munich's new airport was commissioned. Two months from now, the Rhine Main Danube canal will be opened for through traffic from the North and Black Seas. Sixty thousand people now commute every working day to northern and northeastern Bavaria from across what used to be the border to the east, placing the region at the top of the European job creation tables. Trade with Czechoslovakia was up 60 percent in 1991.

The collective impact of the changes is more difficult to grasp. "At the center of central Europe," said a recent headline, citing the proximity of Prague, Budapest and other East European cities.

"A great impetus for the state's trading and manufacturing sectors. as well as for a wide range of service companies," is how August Lang, Bavaria's minister for economic affairs and transport, assesses the positive impact of Central Europe's political and economic reorientation. Mr. Lang is responsible for both promoting growth and finding remedies for its side-effects.

In his view, the down side might be a burdensome concentration of traffic in Bavaria, which could diminish the quality of life and impede business. To forestall this, his minis-try has devised a "full-option" approach to channeling traffic to arteries that can handle it.

To help get freight off the highways and onto the railroads, a new



container terminal will be opened in September in one of Munich's eastern suburbs. The ICE express rail network has already proved a great hit with passengers. In what is reportedly the largest infrastructure project in the state's history (8 billion DM), a 200 kilometer ICE line will be built from Nuremberg in Bavaria to Erfurt, capital of Thuringia. Munich's new airport, through its 75 connections to East Europe destina-tions, can partially shoulder the load of increased numbers of business travelers. Nuremberg's airport has also been completely renovated and expanded.

Mr. Lang is looking at such partially untapped reserves of transport capacity as Nuremberg's harbor (which handles 7 million tons of freight a year) and also envisions the need for new projects. One of them would relieve one of Europe's most congested bottlenecks, the route run-ning from Munich to Verona over the Brenner Pass.

While there is still no final agreement to build the proposed 60 kilo-meter Brenner tunnel, Mr. Lang is "confident that a treaty stipulating its construction will be signed by Germany, Austria and Italy by no later than 1993."

Prosperity Has Brought Growing Financial Muscle

For four decades, Bavaria's purchasing power has been steadily rising, fueled by an expanding business community and cities and rural areas that are in demand. The ensuing flows of capital are now increasingly being channeled outside Bavaria.

The result, in the words of Hans Peter Linss, chairman of the board of Bayerische Landesbank Girozentrale, is that "Bavaria is Germany's investment center."

There are parallels between the rise of the financial-service sectors in Bavaria and in Japan. In both cases, manfacturing successes in the elec-

24 EC banks have headquarters in Bavaria

tronics and automotive sectors were subsequently translated into financial muscle.

The money is invested in London or New York; the decision to invest it is made in Munich." This piece of traditional wisdom has been dated by recent developments. If the 1980s' biggest stories in Bavarian business were Allianz's rise to primacy in Europe's insurance sector and Münchener Rück's consolidation of its leadership in world reinsurance, the lead item in this decade has been the

expansion of Bavaria's banks. Depending on which rankings you read, Munich's Bayerische Vereinsbank has taken over the number three or four slot in German banking. The Hypo-Bank (the Munich-based Bayerische Hypotheken-und Wechsel-Bank) is one or two rankings behind it.

The rest of the financial community has kept pace with its two most prominent members. Today, onequarter of Germany's banks are located in Bavaria, which has about one-sewanth of the country's population. Not surprisingly in an area with

the country's highest real estate prices (the ski resort Garmisch-Partenkirchen has the most expensive houses and apartments in Germany) and prime agricultural land, onethird of all mortgage-based transactions are conducted by Bavarian finance houses, according to Ginther Picker, chief executive officer of the Association of Bavarian Banks, A remarkable total of 24 of the European Community's 80 private banks have their headquarters in Munich.

Until recently, this formidable array of financial institutions had one primary function: to feed domestic growth by reinvesting the state's capital in local economies.

"Nowadays, Bavaria is Germany's largest exporter of capital," says Mr. Picker. To provide conduits for these funds, Bavaria's banks have either aggressively pursued financial insti-tutions based in other parts of Germany and the European Community or have set up new branch offices. Areas of focus are, not surprisingly, Eastern Germany and Eastern En-rope. The Bayerische Landesbank, the international arm of the state's savings banks, now has representative offices in Prague and Budapest and branch offices in Chemnitz, Dresden, Erfurt and Leipzig.

Despite all its business firepower, Munich is still missing one item standard to all world financial centers: a Wall Street. The point of convergence for Allianz, Bayerische Vereinsbank, Bayerische Landesbank, Münchener Rück and other heavyweights is not a district or even a street. It is, rather, the grant expanses of the English Garden.

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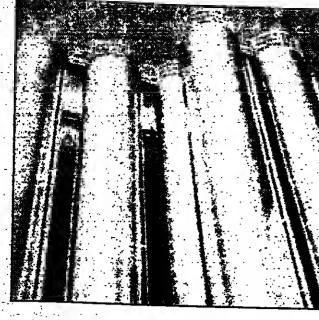
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Summer's Many Faces Put Bavaria Ahead

Bavaria welcomes more than 20 million tourists a year, making it Germany's leading state for tourism. The state's capital, Munich, is one of Europe's five leading destinations.

Executive travel in Munich. In front of the

National Theater on July 6: George Bush, Brian Mulroney, John Major, François Mit-

terrand, Helmut Kohl and Kiichi Miyazawa.

The causes of this popularity are evident and oft-cited: natural attractions, including the Alps, the lakes and forests; cultural attractions, including the Richard Wagner Festival in Bayreuth, the old cities of Regensburg and

Beer and festivals cater to all tastes

Bamberg, and King Ludwig's castles; and the more profane, like the Hofbrauhaus, Oktoberfest, Andechs cloister and other sites of pil-

grimage for the thirsty. In May, a sweeping assertion appeared in Munich's Suddeutsche Zeitung: "For the young, and this must be commensurately comprehended. Bavaria is no longer simply a state. It has now become a life-The influential daily added: "A magnet for the young throughout Germany, Bavaria and principally Munich have become synonymous with carefree days spent on the lakes in the sun, and evenings cruising down the Leopoldstrasse or sitting at a beer garden table in the English Gar-

It was the words "now" and young" which set off a flurry of indignant letters to the edi-

tor and call-ins to local radio shows. As was widely pointed out, each generation of residents and visitors has enjoyed its own version of the "Bavarian dolce vita" (in the words of a recent caller). The only change has been in the nature of the pastimes - yesteryear's sailing or hayriding versus today's windsurfing or para-gliding.
Middle-aged mountain-bikers, hunters, people taking

the waters at one of Bavaria's spas - the list of groups taking vociferous exception to the idea that youth and its ways have a monopoly on the designation "the Bavarian way of life" reached epic proportions by early June. A month later, the arguing is over. An exceptionally

benevolent summer is in full swing, and 11 million Bavarians, several million foreigners and more than 10

million "Praiss" ("Prussians" - a local word for all northern Germans) are now busy pursuing the state's manifold pleasures.

With some 100,000 actors, writers, designers and producers, Munich is one of Germany's main cities for the visual media and fashion. The inhabitants flock to see (and be seen at) several summer festivals. The two most prominent are the Film Festival, with its headquarters at the city's Gasteig cultural center, and the Tollwood Festival, which offers music, theater and open air cheer at

its sprawling site in the Olym-

But before the evening's cerebral pleasures, a day can be spent enjoying the sun and fun of "Bavaria's Côte d'Azur." This half-mocking designation refers to the belt of mountain lakes to Munich's south (Starnberger See, Tegernsee, Ammersee, Schliersee and Chiemsee). Farther afield in Bavaria summer festivals in Landshut, Regensburg, Augsburg and Passau offer a counterpoint of avant-garde culture and cityscapes. Down at the bottom of the state, the Karwendel, Wetterstein and Allgäuer Alps do

double service: They welcome tens of thousands of climbers, hikers and sightseers while providing a range of cultural and folkloric festivals in Prien, Ruhpolding, Berchtesgaden

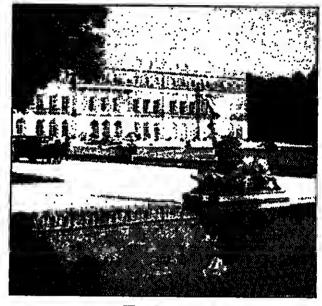
and other tourist centers.

For many people, the first sight of the Königssee comes from high above. The Watzmann, Germany's second highest mountain, towers above the lake, whose solemn majesty does credit to its history of royal patronage. At the beginning of August, the Königssee will hold its Seefest (lake festival), with its regattas of market and pleasure boats, floating music and theater.

Shortly thereafter, another Alpine lake, the Staffelsee (north of the ski and climbing resort Garmisch-Partenkirchen), will launch its annual Fischerstechen. This consists of boat-based jousting and is more slapstick than



For tourists: the lakeside beauty of Königsee.



The elegance of a château at Chiemsee.

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INVERSION IN ITS FOURTH YEAR

GERMAN BOND MARKET

Among the major industrial countries, only the United States, Canada and Japan still have a normal rate structure. In the other G7 countries, shortterm investments yield more than longer-term commitments.

The "topsy-turvy" structure of interest rates observed in Germany since May 1989 is constantly giving rise to conjecture. The rate differentials in favour of investments at the short end, ranging from call money to fixed deposits and medium-term bonds, provide arguments which both pessimists and

optimists can use to prove their case. The pessimists regard the inversion as an indication that interest rates are bound to reverse course in the foreseeable future and start moving up again. In their opinion, the inordinately high public debt and the rapid expansion of the money stock call for a further tightening of monetary policy.

The optimists do not agree. They point to a similar inversion of bond rates in the late 1970s and the early 1980s. At that time, the "shorts" also yielded more than the "longs". In addition, past experience has shown that the periods of interest-rate inversion in the capital market are limited. The period in the previous cycle was 35 months-exactly the number of months capital market rates have been inverted in the current cycle. What is even more important to the optimists: During a period

The 1981 precedent

than longer-term commitments.

monetary and stability point of view.

of inversion, interest rates tend to peak and then reverse direction for good. This was the case in the early 1980s: Rates became inverted in September 1979, reached their upper turning point in September 1981, and then returned to their normal pattern in August

According to those who believe that yields are past their peak in the current cycle.

money-market rates will fall noticeably as soon as the Bundesbank relaxes its monetary

policy and the large amounts of liquidity still parked in high-yielding fixed deposits

will be switched into fixed-income securities, thus accelerating the downtrend in

The interest-rate situation in most other industrial countries is similar to that in the

Federal Republic. The lockstep dance in rates in Europe (in Britain, France and the

other European industrial countries) is due to the mechanism of the European

Monetary System. In all of these countries, short-term investments offer a higher return

Among the G7 countries, the world's leading industrial nations, only the United

States, Canada and Japan have a normal, positive yield curve (short-term

rates are below long-term), which is also regarded as desirable from the

While both the Fed and the Bank of Japan are cutting interest rates

to stimulate the economy, the Deutsche Bundesbank is facing a

completely different dilemma. The growth rate of the broad-

interest rates. This, at any rate, was the course of events after the 1981 peak.

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Despite a growing trend towards cashless payments, the volume of bank notes in circulation has been outgrowing the nominal GNP in the past few years. If we use 1980 as the base year, note circulation at the end of the year will be some 130 per cent higher than it was twelve years ago. By comparison, GNP grew by a "mere" 35 per cent during this period. German unification gave a big boost to note circulation, which expanded by some DM 20 billion. The disproportionate rise is also due to the fact that foreigner's D-mark holdings have increased. In some countries, the D-mark has obviously become a (value-retaining) parallel currency. This is obvious from the rise in the number of DM 1,000 notes in circulation. While back in 1980 these notes had made up less than 11 per cent of the total note circulation, they accounted for close to 26 per cent in 1991. It is to be expected, given the popularity of D-mark notes in some neighbouring countries, that the note circulation will continue to grow at a faster rate than GNP.

based money stock M3 (currency in circulation, sight deposits, time deposits for less than four years, and savings deposits at statutory notice) is much higher than the target, although this is partly due to special factors.

This is why investors and borrowers have adopted a wait-and-see attitude. Although it seems that the key-rate hikes of December 1991 were the culmination of the Bundesbank's high-interest-rate policy, this cannot be taken for granted. Germany's European neighbours are yoked to the Bundesbank's monetary policy via the European Monetary System. This means that they have to follow in Frankfurt's footsteps, unless they are prepared to see their currencies weaken within the margins set by the EMS or agree to a realignment and thus to a redefinition of these margins.

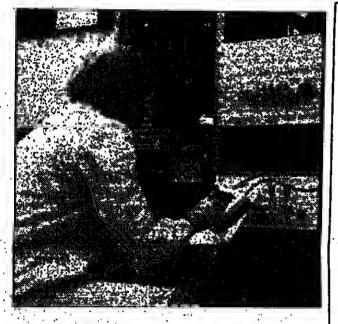
There are two obstacles to a relaxation of monetary policy in Germany: the inflation rate, which is above the level the Bundesbank is willing to tolerate, and the money supply, which is still expanding at a fast rate. True, the rise in consumer prices willthanks to the base effect (the increase in the tax on hydrocarbons at the middle of last year caused a disproportionate rise in the index)-return to the 3 per cent range as early as in July, but inflationary pressures look likely to mount again in the further course of the year.

Realistically, one should not expect any loosening of monetary policy before the money-supply growth begins to slow down. Until this happens, interest rates will be prone to fluctuations. This all the more, as only a minor stimulus, for example, speculation about a tightening of the rules proposed for the taxation of interest income. is needed to trigger moves in either direction.

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Taking Trade Fairs To the Marketplace

Bavaria's international services sector is engaged in a wide-range transfer of expertise through trade fairs, both in Bavaria and elsewhere, to the benefit of emerging markets throughout the world.

SIB 92 is a trade fair that will be held for the second time in September 1992 in Novosibirisk, Russia, a place long on industrial capabilities and desperately short on international business relations.

The environmentaltechnology fair TECO-MEX 93 also matches a place with a need. Monterrey, where the fair will be staged in October 1993, has one of Mexico's greatest concentrations of people and industry, with all the attendant environmen-

tai problems. From the classic point of view, the job of tradefair organizations is to make their cities attractive marketplaces for outside businesses and entrepreneurs. And Münchener Messe- und Ausstellungsgesellschaft (MMG) does that well. It brought 24,000 exhibitors from 80 countries to its 15 trade fairs held in Munich in 1991, and the events attracted some 2 million visi-

As the exhibitors on trade-fair waiting lists can testify, these totals represent the present limits of MMG's capacity. In 1997, more space will be at hand as MMG moves into new grounds in Riem, an eastcrn suburb. The site, which will feature some 200,000 square meters of covered floor space, is that of Munich's decommissioned airport.
As the involvement of

MMG and its international trade-fair subsidiary IMAG in such distant trade fairs as SIB 92 demonstrates, trade-fair authorities can no longer confine themselves to being local market-makers. The authorities are required to be as international as the markets their individual fairs cover. The fact is that an international market, as MMG President Werner Marzin points out, consists of a collection of regional and sectoral markets, each at its own stage of develop-

According to Mr. Marzin, key industries in certain regions have specialized needs around which trade fairs have to be configured. Another reason to hold new trade fairs onsite is that this enables the organizers to assemble a critical mass of companies and persons who otherwise might not be able to

attend these events. "It's not possible for everyone to travel to Munich," says Mr. Marzin.

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Warner After 'Batman': Studio Builds on Strength

By Bernard Weinraub New York Times Service

URBANK, California — A sign flutters from the red-tile roof of the sedate beige-brick executive office build-ing at Warner Brothers here. It reads simply: "The Bat Is Back. Bigger Than Ever." Robert A. Daly, chairman and chief executive of Warner Brothers Inc., producer of "Batman Returns," grinned as be recalled the morning he saw the mexpected sign, placed there by a Warner executive.

"We bad so much riding on 'Batman Returns' because it's not just a movie, it's an industry," Mr. Daly said. "Once we saw the movie play before an audience, we became confident."

Film Buffs

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\$3.5 Warner Brothers' revenues

Source: Warner Brothers

from filmed entertainment.

The confidence and exuberance of Mr. Daly, as well as the optimism of his second-in-command, Terry Senel, are faintly out of character for the two stolid, tough and unflashy -by Hollywood standards -

But it seems justified: their studio is the most successful and formidable in town. Last year. Warner's filmed-entertainment division marked its ninth consecutive year of record earnings and is now on its way to its 10th.

The new blockbuster, "Batman Returns," grossed \$100 million in its first 11 days, making it only the second

movie in history to reach that point so quickly. The first, "Batman," in 1989, hit \$100 million in 10 days. But the saga of the Caped Crusader, directed by Tim Burton, is

hardly alone in lifting the spirits of the studio and its parent, Time Warner. The bloody-buddy film "Lethal Weapon 3," which critics deplored and audiences adored, has probably reached a gross of \$130 million, after seven weeks in release. A Clint Eastwood Western, "The Unforgiven," set for August release, has also stirred high hopes.

The twin successes of "Batman Returns" and "Lethal Weapon

3" make the 1992 first half the best in the history of a company that still takes enormous pride in its great stars of the past -James Cagney, Bette Davis, Humphrey Bogart, Edward G. Robinson, John Garfield — and the studio's classic movies, from "Casablanca" to "Little Caesar."

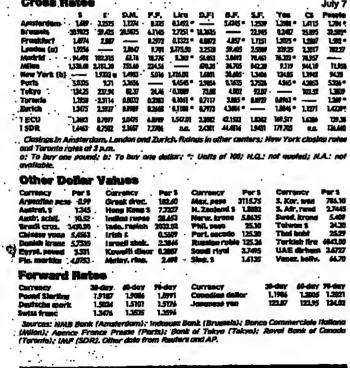
ILM RENTALS—the amount of money paid to Warner by theaters—totaled nearly \$200 million in the first half of the year. The previous half-year industry record was \$160.5 million in 1990, also won by Warner. That was largely driven by the big and unexpected success of the Academy Awardwinning "Driving Miss Daisy."

Beyond this, by the end of 1992 Warner films may finish first, once again, in number of tickets sold. The studio's chief competitor this year is Walt Disney Co., with "Sister Act" and "Encino Man" doing very well. If Warner comes out on top, it will be its sixth time since 1981, more wins than any other studio.

Although Mr. Daly, 56, a Brooklyn-born former CBS Inc. executive, and Mr. Semel, Warner's 49-year-old, New York-born president, are the studio's only executives with the power to green light" movies - and some of the biggest agents in town complain privately that Warner is paralyzed when they are both out of town - the two are essentially shrewd businessmen as opposed to creative filmmakers.

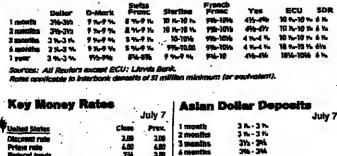
They run a mini-empire, having expanded Warner's reach into theatrical distribution abroad, set plans to build up multiplex

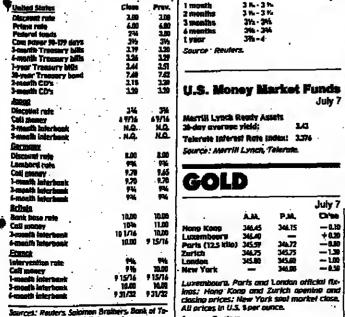
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In a Year

For Sales Worries Persist

For U.S. Economy WASHINGTON — The govern-ment reported Tuesday that U.S. wholesale sales decreased 0.9 percent in May, the largest decline in nearly a year, while wholesale in-ventories were unchanged from

The Commerce Department report suggested wholesalers, and the retailers who buy their goods, continued to doubt the prospects of a robust recovery from recession, and were not carrying large sup-

plies of unsold goods.

May's \$145.67 billion of wholesale sales represented the largest drop since August 1991, when they fell I percent. Wholesale inven-tories in May totaled a seasonally adjusted \$198.516 billion, up 1.6

percent from a year earlier. In the durable-goods category, sales by wholesalers decreased 1.5 percent in May, while nondurables dipped 0.3 percent.

Among durable goods, sales decreased in furniture by 2.5 percent. in lumber by 0.2 percent, in electrical goods by 2.4 percent, and in hardware, plumbing and heating equipment by 2.7 percent. Sales increased by 2.6 percent in

motor vehicles and auto equipment, by 3.6 percent in metals and minerals and by 1.2 percent in machinery. In nondurable goods, groceries decreased 4.2 percent and alcoholic beverages fell 5.9 percent. (Bloomberg, UPI)

■ Car Sales Gain

The U.S. auto industry reported strong sales for late June, propelled by what executives said was rising consumer confidence and a stronger economy, The New York Times reported from Detroit.

Sales of vehicles built in North America — which are considered domestically built — rose 23.9 percent in the last 10 days of the month compared with the period a year

The seasonally adjusted annual selling rate of North Americanbuilt cars for the period of June 21-30 was 7.5 million. For the month, the rate was 6.7 million, up from 6.3 million in May but below the 7.3 million in June 1991.

Worst Fall U.S. Jobs Data: Blip or Dip?

By Steven Greenhouse
New York Times Service
WASHINGTON — For millions of Americans looking for work, and for the presidential candidates, the surge in unemployment in June poses a big question: Is the econo-

my's new weakness a blip or a dip? The jobless report, which showed the unemployment rate jumping to 7.8 percent, led many economists to adopt more pessimistic lorecasts. While most economists still doubt that the economy will slow to near zero for the third time in two years. some economists are saying there is a 50-50 chance of a triple dip, even with the Federal Reserve's move to lower short-term interest rates.

With the drop in employment in June, it's hard to see how we can sustain an economic recovery," said Edward Yardeni, chief econo-mist for C. J. Lawrence & Co. "I'd say it could go either way in the third quarter — there could be modest growth or the economy could be flat."

If Mr. Yardeni and his more pessimistic colleagues are right, Presideat George Bush, already peril-custy low in opinion polls, could lose several crucial percentage points in the November balloting.

The Bush campaign should be very nervous about the economy." said Ray C. Fair, a Yale University economist, whose studies show that incumbent presidents run into trouble if growth is not strong in the six months before the election.

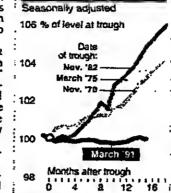
Even the more optimistic economy watchers are not predicting much strength in the economy. Kurt Karl, an economist at the WEFA Group, a forecasting firm, said the economy may narrowly skirt a triple dip thanks to new-

found strength in the auto industry. With the recent weakening in consumer spending and bome building, "industrial production will be pushed up by production of auto and light trucks," he said.

If This Is Recovery, Where Are the Jobs?

In past cycles, total employment grew sharply after the deepest point of the recession. If the current cycle hil bottom in March 1991, as some econ-omists think, then to follow the pattern, jobs ought to be rebounding now. The fact that they are not suggests another trough is still to come.

Nonfarm Employment



"But if the auto industry gets ner-vous and starts winding down, then there will be a triple dip."

He put the probability of a triple dip at 30 percent, up from his forecast of 20 percent before last Thursday's jobless report. Robert G. Dederick, chief econ-

omist at Northern Trust Co., said: "I think the economy will manage to avoid a triple dip, but it is still going to be a struggle. At best, the economy will be at the edge of what might be called satisfactory."

In recent months, the administration has boasted about the respectable 2.7 percent growth in the first quarter, but the recovery appears to have slowed since then. It has been weighed down by large housebold debt burdens that dampen consumer spending, cuts in the military budget that are causing large-scale layoffs, and the fail-

ure of many companies to add workers as they increase outpur. Administration officials say the economy is continuing to grow de-spite the unemployment data.

Treasury Secretary Nicholas F. Brady said that while be was not going to speculate on what growth would be for the second quarter, "I think during the rest of the year it will pick up to such an extent so that it will be around the 2.5 to 3 percent that we forecast."

The main reason the recovery seems unable to gather steam, many analysts said, is that employment has remained flat for a year, which denies households the added income needed to push the economy lorward, and wage gains have been sluggish as well.

In June, nonfarm payroll em-ployment, seasonally adjusted, fell an unexpected 117,000 to 89,769,000. That was down 65,000 from June 1991.

recent band of major U.S. companies announcing big job reductions, saying Tuesday it expected to slash more than 2,000 jobs, or about 10 percent of its salaried work force, by the end of the year.

Mobil said the layoffs, mostly in U.S. petroleum exploration and refining, would be part of a re-structuring under way for the last nine months. John Lord, a Mobil spokesman, said additional but much smaller layoffs were expected. Since late last month, Hughes Ameraft Co. said it

nounced 5,000 cuts and Aluminum Co. of America said it would eliminate 2,100 positions worldwide.

Tapie to Exit Adidas With Sale

By Alan Riding

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Wall Street

Compiled by Our Staff From Despatches

NEW YORK - U.S. stocks

tumbled Tuesday on worries about

corporate earnings that were

sparked by pessimistic profit news at Dillard Department Stores,

Georgia-Pacific Corp., and several

The Dow Jones industrial aver-

age, which had gained 8,91 points Monday, plunged 44.03 points, to 3,295.17. Declining issues outnum-

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Profit Fears

The economy is like a jet plane that seems unable to get up enough speed to take off, Mr. Yardeni said. He added that the country would be lucky if it saw growth of I percent to 1.5 percent in the second quarter, and predicted 2 percent growth in the second half.

He warned, however, that be still bad his "finger on the trigger" to lower that lorecast if there are further negative economic reports. On Thursday, he raised his forecast of the probability of a triple dip to 50 percent, up from 25 percent.

Late last year, the economy ex-perienced what is generally called a double dip, because growth slowed markedly after the recession - the first dip — that occurred in the second half of 1990. The economic

See JOBS, Page 13

Mobil Joins Layoff Parade With 2,000 Cuts

FAIRFAX, Virginia - Mobil Corp. joined a

would trim 9,000 jobs. Actna Life & Casualty an-

Mobil also said it was cutting its 1992 capital appropriations budget by \$800 million because of sluggish world economic conditions. Allen E. Murray, the Mobil chairman, noted that late last year, the company cut its 1991 budget for capital pro-jects by about 10 percent — from almost \$6 billion to \$5.4 billion. When the 1992 capital budget of \$4.8 billion was approved in March, Mr. Marray had warned \$800 million would be cut unless business conditions improved.

To Pentland

New York Times Service
PARIS — Bernard Tapie, who made his name as a politician and a businessman, on Tuesday followed up his withdrawal from politics in May by agreeing to sell off his controlling interest in the German sporting-goods company, Adidas AG, to Pentland Group PLC.

The deal will make British-based Pentland, which already markets Speedo swimwear and Pony International shoes, Europe's biggest sportswear concern. Adidas is cur-

ist and Socialist politician resigned his new post as Urban Affairs Minister in late May, days before he was charged with fraud in a dispute with a former business partner. Mr. Tapie, who has strongly contested the charge, said be could not remain in politics while the case was still in the courts. A rare exam-

sporting-goods company after Nike and Reebok.

Pentland agreed conditionally to pay 621 million Deutsche marks

\$409.7 million) for the 79.95 per-

cent stake in Bernard Tapie Finance, GmbH of Germany — whose sole asset is 95 percent of Adidas — that

Speculation that Mr. Tapie

would sell Adidas has been grow-

ing since the 49-year-old industrial-

it did not already own.

ple of a successful French politician with no party affiliation, be also conceded be would have to choose between politics and busi-

ness once he cleared his name. The decision Tuesday, however, does ool oecessarily signal that he has opted for politics. Rather, it seems motivated by a need to bring order to his debt burdened busi-

ness empire. Bernard Tapie Finance SA recorded losses of \$58.6 million in 1991, ending the year with debts of \$723 million. in recent months, the company has also sold its stake in the La Vie Claire bealth food chain, the Donnay tennis-racket firm and the TF1 television octwork. Other sales are reportedly planned, although Mr.

bered advances by 3 to 2 oo the New York Stock Exchange, where volume rose to 21g.74 million shares from 1g6.41 million traded Tapie seems certain to retain controi of Olympique de Marseille. France's champion soccer team. His association with Olympique de Marseille has boosted his popu-"Dillard and Georgia-Pacific larity, particularly in southern burt the entire stock market," said France, where in regional elections Alfred Goldman, market analyst at A.G. Edwards & Sons. "There conin March be helped prevent the extreme rightist leader, Jean-Mane tinue to be earnings disasters, and

Le Pen, from winning a key politithis dragged the market lower." cal post. As a reward he was named Georgia-Pacific slumped 4% to Urban Affairs Minister, 55 after the company said second-quarter earnings would be below the prior year's \$33 million, or 38 cents a share. Dillard Department Stores fell 3% to 32% after analysts

at four brokerage firms lowered their second-quarter earnings esti-See FEARS, Page 12

Looking to the fumre, Mr. Tapie told reporters Tuesday that he expected to make a gross profit of between \$120 million and \$140 mil-lion from the sale of Adidas.

The deal is nonetheless a blow to See ADIDAS, Page 13

FAA Is Holding Back U.S. Airlines With Outdated Delays, Study Finds

By Paul F. Horvitz International Herald Tribune
WASHINGTON — The single

most important barrier to the health of U.S. airlines is an outdated system of on-ground delays re-quired by regulators at the Federal Aviation Administration, a U.S. consumer group said Tuesday.

The FAA does not have enough air-traffic controllers and should hire 3,000 more, according to a study by the Aviation Consumer Action Project. The group is affil-ated with Ralph Nader's Citizen Action organization.

The study found that before the

1981 strike by U.S. air-traffic con-trollers, which coded in the strikers' dismissal, en route separation of airdismissal, en route separation of ar-craft averaged 5 miles (8 kilome-ters). Today it averages 10 miles to 20 miles because of round-the-clock "flow control" directed by control-lers in the FAA's Washington head-quarters. This holds down the airline's ability to produce revenue.

Only lucrative international routes are keeping the major carriers afloat, but carriers are reluctant to complain about the domesti-

work force," the study said.

An FAA spokesman, who had not read the report, said the FAA did not handle hoemes for overseas dunce with the lepance ax regulations. routes and had not heard any com-

plaints from the zirline industry

about "flow control" delays. ■ A Reprieve for Travelers Air travelers got a three-day re-prieve Tuesday from higher ticket prices as America's major airlines took a second look at their planned increases. The Associated Press re-

ported from Dallas. American Airlines and United Airlines late Monday postponed their competing fare rises until Fri-day. Northwest Airlines said it would follow their lead and also delay proposed fare increases. American, the industry's most

influential price setter, also decided to tinker with its proposal. The rest

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of the sirlines, meanwhile, waited April levels due to pressure from United and Northwest, which put "It's nuts," said Amy Spreeman, spokeswoman for Northwest, as

competitors jockey.

American and United both proposed 4.4 percent increases, but they were based on different price

the company watched its two larger

Airlines face luge, though slightly reduced, 1992 losses. Page 13.

levels. United pegged its increase to current fares, while American used higher April prices. Those fares were later deeply discounted and have not risen back to that level. American originally planned to raise prices in 830 flight markets whose fares had fallen below mid-

April levels. But the carrier decided to leave most of those fares below

out the first fare increase proposal About 70 transcontinental flights and about 30 flights from Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport will still be hiked 4.4 per-

cent above the higher April levels, an American spokesman said. That means a one-way New York Los Angeles ticket, which on Monday cost \$380, will still in-crease to \$480 Friday. A Chicago-

Los Angeles trip, however, will rise from \$290 to \$300, instead of \$400 as originally planned. In recent weeks, American has drawn criticism and lawsuits from competitors for its pricing tactics, including its part in a half-price fare war in late May.

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to complain about the domestic traffic situation for fear of losing in the competition for overseas routes, the study found. The Transportation Department, the FAA's parent agency, grants licenses for overseas routes.

"Traffic remains unnecessarily delayed by FAA in order to limit volume to a level manageable by the still understaffed and inadequately trained air-traffic control work force," the study said.

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Remarks by Brady Fuel Dollar's Drop

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - The dollar dropped to about a 17-month low against the German currency Tuesday, after the U.S. Treasury secretary, Nicholas F. Brady, said he not bothered by its fall below was not bothered by i

The dollar fell to 1,4903 DM. from 1.5125 DM, and suffered similarly sharp losses against the other

Foreign Exchange

main European currencies. The dollar last traded below 1.5 DM in

Christopher Bourdain, manager of foreign-exchange sales for Credit Suisse, said: "Trading was quiet, unul traders heard a statement from Treasury Secretary Nicholas Brady. The impression in the market was that he was not terribly concerned if the dollar dropped below 1.50 German marks."

Dealers said Mr. Brady's comments signaled the United States was not getting what it wanted at the summit meeting in Munich of the Group of Seven and had decided to achieve its goals through a devalued currency.

Before Mr. Brady's comment on television, the Treasury secretary had said Germany would be lowering its interest rates soon. But German government sources quickly jumped in and said any lowering of German rates would come when economic conditions were right. Analysis noted the counterattack came from the government, not the

strident about containing inflation than German politicians.

The key factor behind dollar weakness is the high interest rate differential between the United States and Germany. Federal funds, or overnight interbank U.S. loans, traded at an interest rate of below 3 percent late Tuesday, compared with 9.70 percent for German call money.

Against other European currencies, the dollar fell to 1.3406 Swiss francs from 1.3550 and to 5.0160 French francs from 5.0940. The pound rose to \$1,9332 from St.9110.

The dollar did better against the yen, slipping to 124.050 from 124.320. There has been speculation of an interest-rate cut in Japan.

In the metals markets, meanwhile, silver took a beating after heavy selling from the Middle East. On the Commodity Exchange, silver for delivery this month dropped 15.5 cents, 10 \$3.873 an ounce.

Dealers said the silver market had been bearish but lethargic in recent months, with the metal trading between \$3.95 and \$4.15. But they were astonished by the ferocity of the breakout and the scale of the selling, which appeared to come through U.S. brokers from an undisclosed Middle East source.

Some analysis tied the silver sales to the Bank Credit & Commerce International scandal. Most selling, they said, was done by National Commercial Bank of Saudi Arabia whose chief operating officer resigned after having been charged in connection with the scandal. (Reuters, Bloomberg, UPI)

FEARS: Investors Wary on Profits

(Continued from first finance page) mates for the retail giant, Dillard

was the most active NYSE issue. The declines in those two issues, plus negative earnings news at Mi-crografx. Symantec and Microcom. led to a general sell-off that brought a late bout of computer-

driven sell programs. Weakness in corporate earnings data mirrored other recent devel-

N.Y. Stocks

opments in the U.S. economy, which benefited the bond market. The 30-year Treasury bond, the market beliwether, rose 9/32 of a point, to 104 21/32, reducing its

yield to 7.60 percent from 7.62. The fall in interest rates allowed corporations to turn to the bond market for funding, and \$4 billion of deht was offered in 17 transactions on Tuesday. Many of the issues offered small premiums to less-risky Treasury bonds, but most sold quickly.

Among active New York Stock Exchange issues. Marion Merrell

istration asked the maker of Seldane to warn doctors that some patients who use the antihistamine may be in Amex Diary danger of developing life-threaten-

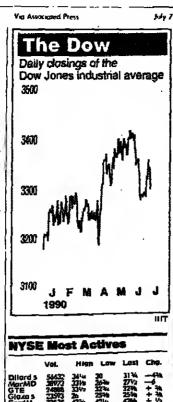
ing cardiac arrhythmias. GTE was third, gaining !- to 33. Smith Barney, Harris Upham's portfolio strategist said electric utilities and telephone companies, such as GTE Corp. and Entergy. were attractive values at current levels.

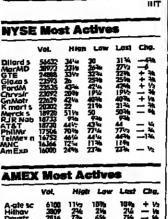
A unit trust built from GTE shares, GTE Americus Trust-Score, was the most-active American Stock Exchange issue, rising 4 to 10%. The trust is to be dissolved

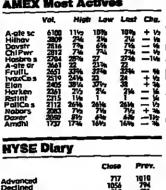
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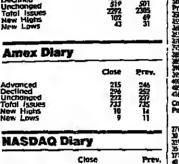
Symantec led the over-thecounter actives, dropping 516 to 30 lowered its rating on the maker of microcomputer software products.

Another big loser was Microware said it expects fiscal first- of \$300 million, quarter earnings to be below ana-













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Safeway Posts Decline in Earnings

OAKLAND. California (UPI) — Safeway Inc., one of the world's largest food retailers, said Tuesday that its second-quarter net income fell for percent to \$33.3 million from the comparable period last year. Sales slipped 2 percent to \$3.45 billion. The company noted a sluggish Sales slipped 2 percent to \$3.45 billion. The company noted a sluggish economy, low food-price inflation — including deflation in perishable economy, low food-price inflation — including deflation in perishable foods — and beightened competition in certain markets. Safeway also said it cut interest expenses by refinancing \$1.6 billion of debt

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Phillips Oil Sees \$100 Million Net

BARTLESVILLE, Oklahoma (Bloomberg) — Phillips Petroleum Co. said Tuesday it expected to report second-quarter net earnings of about \$100 million, compared with income of \$16 million in the same quarter a vear earlier.

in 1991, the company had a \$17 million charge for early retirement of

Moody's May Lower Rating for Shell

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) — Moody's Investors Service Tuesday said
it may lower its ratings on \$3 billion of Shell Oil Co.'s bonds, stripping the sixth-largest U.S. oil company of its coveted Asa rating and making it more expensive for Shell to borrow.

A Shell spokesman said the company expected to boost its operating profit by almost \$800 million this year and to cut its work force by up to 15 percent. Shell is currently raising \$250 million through a note sale.

General Motors Plans Stock Offering NEW YORK (UPI) — General Motors Corp. announced Tuesday plans to offer \$350 million of Series D fixed-rate preference stock that

will be noncallable for seven years. GM said the dividend rate would be based on prevailing market

conditions at the time of pricing. The offering would be in the form of 14 million depositary shares with a stated value of \$25 a share, each representing one-fourth of a share of GM's series D preference stock.

For the Record

Digital Equipment Corp. unveiled its Vax computer line, which would be available in September and is supposed to offer customers an easy transition to the company's Alpha microprocessor technology. (Remers) HomeFed Bank of San Diego, the eighth-largest U.S. thrift, was taken over by the government. It is the largest savings and loan to fail. (WP) Micrografx Inc. stock plunged in over-the-counter trading Tuesday with the company's prediction that first-quarter earnings would about break even, less than expected. The stock closed at \$7.75, down from its 52-week low of \$13.50 Monday.

Oil Skids on Weak Demand

LONDON - Oil prices fell about 50 cents a barrel Tuesday, amid sharply weakening demand for crude. In London, oil lost 45 cents, falling to \$20.12. By the close in New York, the August contract for crude on the Mercantile Exchange had dropped 51 cents to \$21.38. The International Energy Agency, in its monthly oil market report, said worldwide demand was weakening while supplies were increasing. It found that demand for oil in the second quarter by the 24 members of the Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development was 37 million barrels a day, unchanged from a year earlier. As a result, the IEA revised its estimate of OECD oil demand

for the year down slightly to 38.6 million barrels a day. But supplies are increasing, the IEA said. The Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries lifted production for the fourth straight month, pumping 23.8 million barrels a day in June, Oil exports to the West from the former Soviet Union also increased.

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The Associated Press

IIDDA - The chief operating officer of Saudi Arabia's biggest bank after Donaldson Lufkin & Jenrette resigned on Tuesday as a result of his indictment last week in the United States on fraud charges related to the Bank of Credit & Commerce

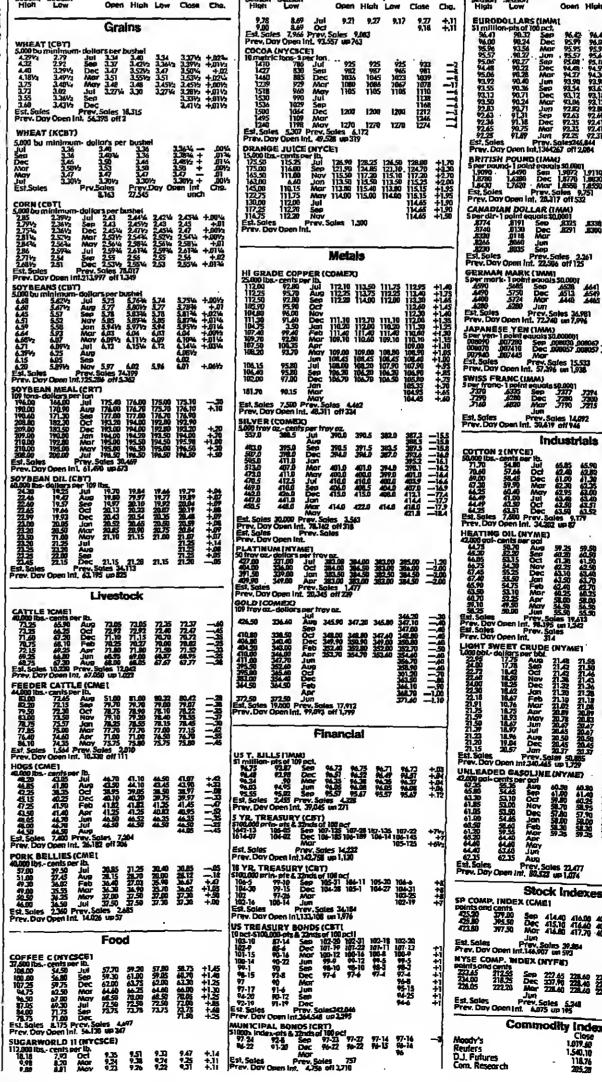
International bank scandal.

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The National Commercial Bank said Sheikh Khalid had resigned to devote time to fighting "the unwarranted charges by (UPI, Bloomberg, Reuters) New York." The bank said it was "fully confident" of his innocence.

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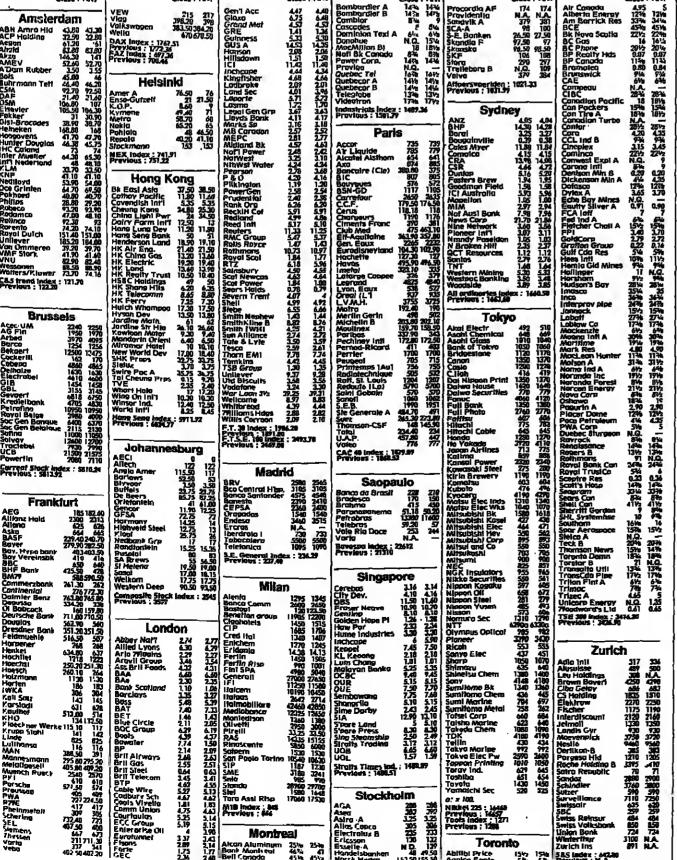
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GENEVA - World airlines may post losses of about \$2 billion on scheduled international services this year, the International Air Transport Association said Tuesday.

Such a loss, while still considerable, would represent a turnaround of sorts for world airlines, which have reported buge losses over the past two years, mainly as a result of economic recession in key markets and the Gulf crisis.

IATA officials stressed that final losses for the year would depend on how airlines fared over the summer vacation season.

According to IATA, which represents more than 200 airlines worldwide, the Gulf War and the recession produced losses of \$6.7 billion in 1990-91, \$4 billion of that

"The big question for the airlines at the moment is the degree of financial recovery that can be ex-pected in 1992," said the IATA director, Günter Eser.

The IATA chief said growth in passenger traffic in the first five months of this year, running 5 percentage points ahead of growth in seat supply, was encouraging.
But he said passenger traffic was

only 8 percentage points higher than in 1990 and freight traffic was only 4 points higher.

■ JAL Weighs Route Cuts Japan Air Lines said Tuesday it was studying whether to suspend

flights to Denmark and India as part of a plan to reorganize money-losing international routes, The Associated

Press reported from Tokyo.

A Tarnish on the Gold Rush

Ex-U.S. Envoy Still Seeks East Bloc Riches

By Peter Maass Washington Post Service

BERLIN - When he was U.S. ambassador in Hungary two years ago, Mark Palmer was known as the apostle of the gold rush, trumpeting potential rewards for American businessmen who invested in the post-communist societies.

Now, as one of those businessmen, be has learned that the gold, if there, is buried under mountains of trouble.

The investment company he heads, Central European Development Corp., is being sued by an estranged partner. Many of the others have jumped ship. The firm's offices in Budapest and

Prague have been vacated. After two years, CEDC has one investment in Hungary, three in the eastern part of Germany and one in Estonia. Accords to invest in Moscow's

department store, GUM, were ignored. Negotiations with the German privatization agency nearly drove Mr. Palmer over the edge, he said. There were moments when I thought I was

going to take a steak knife and kill somebody." Now CEDC consists of a staff of 10 working in a walk-up office along a fashionable street in western Berlin. Its future hinges on a \$540 million real-estate project in eastern Berlin, adjacent to the former crossing point known as Checkpoint Charlie, ft is for this property that CEDC is finishing tortuous

negotiations to purchase 4) separate parcels. The next step is to get building permits. Mr. Palmer said two German banks had agreed to provide financing, and be foresaw no problem finding tenants for the four business towers.

If successful, the Checkpoint Charlie project could erase many of the questions hovering over CEDC and Mr. Palmer. As an activist U.S. envoy, he drew wide atten-

tion for his crusade to recruit foreign investment. At the height of it all, he shocked Washington by practicing what he preached. He quit to become president and chief executive of CEDC, which was formed by a group of North American tycoons.

For all the problems, Mr. Palmer, 50, voiced

only the dismay that the gold rush slogan be coined

in a 1990 speech to the American Chamber of Commerce was a huge misunderstanding.

"I was actually making fun of it," he said. ") was saying that if you don't watch out you'll get run over because there's a gold rush under way. I then went on to say that of course this is very misleading. This is a long-term investment area."

"It wasn't until the smoke cleared a little bit that you could see how difficult it would be," admitted Ronald Lauder, an heir to the Estee Lauder cosmetics fortune, a former ambassador to Austria and now the majority owner of CEDC.

Mr. Palmer's career is mapped on the walls of his office. There are pictures of him and President George Bush, him and former President Ronald Reagan, him and Henry Kissinger, the former secretary of state.

The investors in CEDC, looking for a big name, offered him a salary of about \$350,000 to leave the government. When he told the State Department in 1990 about his decision, an agreement was struck for him to stay on the job for a few months

provided he avoided any financial activities. Secretary of State James A. Baker 3d was unaware of the deal, however, and learned of it through the press. Within hours, Mr. Palmer was bounced from his ambassadorial job in a cloud of

Yet the future seemed bright. CEDC was set to take a leading role in the North American investment invasion of Eastern Europe, Its heavyweight backers anted up an initial \$50 million and talked

about boosting it in \$500 million. Days later, two of its leading investors had a bitter falling out, resulting in the current lawsuit. Most of the eight original investors have drifted away and left CEDC in Mr. Lauder's hands. Mr.

Palmer acknowledges that Mr. Lauder can be a forceful presence, but be is quick to defend him. "A lot of the stuff he comes up with doesn't really make sense in the end, but he's fresh and innovative," Mr. Palmer said. "This is a time in Eastern Europe when people who think the unthinkable, people who have an unusual perspec-

tive, are really valuable."

EC Plan to Deregulate Phones Is Put on Hold

BRUSSELS - An EC Commission proposal to deregulate international telephone services in the European Community has been indefinitely postponed, a commission official said on Tuesday.

The proposal was drawn up by the competition commissioner, Leon Bristan, but is opposed by a number of other commissioners, the official said.

The commission is responsible for proposing European-wide legislation, which must then be adopted by the Community's Council of Ministers.

The official said that at least six of the other commissioners object to Mr. Britan's deregulation plan, which they believe would penalize government-owned phone companies in the more remote areas of the

The proposal was aimed at on Wednesday, but has now been bringing down cross-border tele- taken off the agenda.

companies to compete with public telephone utilities.

In many EC countries, the cost of cross-border phone calls is as much as four times more than domestic phone calls of the same duration, even when the distances are identical, according to a commis-

sion inquiry.

The EC official said the commissioners who objected to the plan argued that deregulation would act as a disincentive to public phone companies to invest in national networks. The commission believes about 100 million European currency units (\$137 million) must be invested in phone networks in the more remote areas of the Commu-

nity during the next decade. The plan was originally scheduled to be discussed by the 17 commissioners at their weekly meeting

EC Backs Tunnel Night Train

BRUSSELS - The EC Commission said Tuesday that it would approve a joint venture between five national railroad operators to run

luxury night trains through the Channel Tunnel. The companies involved are British Railways Board, Societé Nationale de Chemins de Fer of France, Deutsche Bundesbahn, Nederlandse Spoorwegen and Belgium's Société Nationale de Chemins de Belgique.

The commission, the executive body of the European Community, said it had had extensive contact with the companies involved and it would be able to approve the plans when it was formally notified of the joint

venture as required under its anutrust rules. The venture would not be allowed to create a monopoly on passenger services through the tunnel, and the commission said the five railways "are fully aware of these conditions, which have been presented to them

in writing in the last few weeks." The EC said the parties would have to make all necessary services available to any public or private competitor.

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Sema Group, the British software and information-technology company, said it was in talks with France Telecom on an industrial partnership; Paribas, which owns 39 percent of Sema, is also negotiating with France

• Lasmo North Sea PLC said it was swapping four of its North Sea exploration blocks for five blocks owned by British Petroleum PLC.

• The European Court of Justice ruled that Britain could continue to impose different retirement ages for men and women,

 Ericsson-Sielte International SnA, a unit of LM Ericsson Telefon AB, said it had signed a 45 billion lire (\$39.3 million) contract with Shell Petroleum Development Co. to update its telecommunications network

• Philips Electronics NV said the Avex video-recorder joint venture between its Austrian unit Oesterreichische Philips Industrie GmbH and

its Czechoslovak partner Tesla Bratislava had been liquidated. Swedish unemployment rose to 4.6 percent in June from 2.2 percent in

June last year, according to the Swedish Central Bureau of Statistics. The rating of Statni Banka Czeskoslovenska, the central bank of the Czech and Slovak Federal Republic, was placed under review by Moody's

Investors Service with direction uncertain, Romania's currency, the leu, fell to 345 against the dollar, a 38 percent decline in one month of trading under new foreign-exchange rules. Berlin said the number of non-German companies setting up offices

one of the world's best-known trade marks. "Despite disappointthere doubled in the first half of the year. ing results of late, we are confident there are good prospects for an

Thomson Needs U.S. Partner for LTV

PARIS - Thomson-CSF said Tuesday that it was searching for an a

American partner so it could resubmit its offer to acquire the missiles unit : of LTV Corp. The French state-controlled electronics maker withdrew a \$300 million solo bid on Monday, after meeting official U.S. resistance.

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(Continued from first finance page) movie theaters in Europe and, perhaps most significant, signed a se-ries of big production and distribu-

tion agreements.

"Look, we're not just 'Batman' and 'Lethal Weapon,'" said Mr. Daly, seated in his elegant office. "We have an enormous television business - some 30-odd television series. We have an enormous library, we have the largest video company in the world, we have a . big merchandising business, we're now in the store business, opening Warner stores around the country. You can't survive on just 'Batman' and 'Lethal Weapon.' Last year, the studio's television

operations produced 21 senes, in-

cluding the Emmy-winning "Mur-pby Brown." Warner Home Video, which generates \$1 billion in annual revenue, operates in 46 nations, more than any other studio. The company is rapidly expanding its number of stores.

Within Hollywood, the Daly-Semel regime is privately criticized by competing studios for its play-itsafe movie tastes, its perennial use of big stars in too many clunkers like Bill Murray in "Quick Change" and Chevy Chase and Dan Ackroyd in "Nothing But Trouble" - and the company's seemingly impenetrable bureaucracy that leaves big decision-making almost totally in the hands of its two top executives.

(Continued from first finance page) ployment because it was so much pickup in the first half of 1991 was more negative than other recent reaborted later that year when con- ports. Some said that the employsumer confidence evaporated and consumer spending slid. earlier in June than many other Donald Ratajezak, director of June jobless reports, and that, as a

full-fledged recovery also was be. and undercounted the number of ing held back by overbuilding in payroll jobs because the survey was commercial construction and by done slightly before employers demographic changes that mean added their normal contingent of there are fewer young people buy-ing cars, furniture and houses. There w But be added that households jobless rate could fall substantially

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Some economists questioned the accuracy of June's jump in unem-

ment report was done a few days earlier in June than many other the economic forecasting center at result, it may have overcounted the Georgia State University, said a number of unemployed students There were predictions that the

were reducing their debt burdens in July because students who entered the work force to find jobs might quickly give up their search-es and thus will no longer be count-

his seven weeks as a cabinet minister marked the high point of his pobtical career, his purchase of Adidas in July 1990 was his most ambitious business operation to date. At the time, he described it as "the deal of my life." Having built up his fortune by acquiring small and medium-sized

companies threatened with bankruptcy, he found himself struggling to keep up payments on \$398 mil-lion worth of loans acquired to buy Adidas. Adidas itself also saw its profit fall from \$135.9 million in 1990 to \$66.4 million last year. Its

his image as a businessman. Just as

A consortium headed by Adidas's chief executive made a last-minute bid to buy the company from Bernard Tapie Finance GmbH. Under the terms of Pentland's acquisition of a 20.05 percent stake last year, however, Pentland retained the right to match any other offer.

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Pentland's chairman, Stephen

Rubin, who last year sold his

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Thomson said last week it was negotiating with Northrop Corp., and industry sources said Loral Corp. and Raytheon Co. also were possible:

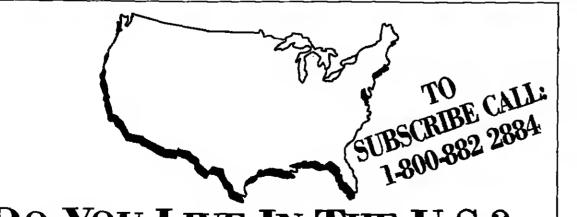
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Going Private in Vietnam Garment Maker Considers Sale of Stock

Local newspapers said this meant it would not be allowed, but Western businessmen said the government would probably approve the sale of shares to foreigners on a case-by-case basis at least until Hanoi revised its current company law.

The Institute for Economic Research, a government body, has urged Hanoi to approve the Lega-

mex privatization plan, saying it would show other companies how to raise badly needed capital.

Tran Du Lich, head of the institute's develop-"If it goes well, and we sell shares to foreigners, it will set a good example for others," she said in an interview. "Later it will help toward the opening of

ment research department, said many companies in the light-industrial, trading and service sectors should be allowed to at least partially privatize. But Mr. Lich said Vietnam wanted to keep the state sector as the basis of its economy.

"We don't say privatization because, while it's the policy of the party and the government to encourage the private sector, we want to keep the state sector as the basis of the economy," he said.

Most of Vietnam's thousands of state-owned companies are virtually bankrupt, while the pri-

vate sector, especially in the commercial center of Ho Chi Minh City, is growing rapidly. Mr. Lich said he expected Vietnam to form a stock market in Ho Chi Minh City in 1994 or 1995. Ms. Son said one Legamex customer, Chiap Hua Manufacturing Co. in Hong Kong, wanted to buy 35 percent of any Legamex shares.

Legamex, 8 showcase Vietnamese state compa-

ny, exported \$22 million-worth of garments and But the decision, signed on June 8, made no mention of selling shares to foreigners. shoes last year to Germany. France, the Netherlands, South Korea, Japan and other countries.

Citibank Sees Vietnam Branch in 1993

Bloomberg Business News

HO CHI MINH CITY — The garment maker

Legamex says it is waiting for the go-ahead from Hanoi to become Vietnam's first state-owned com-

pany to privatize and to sell shares to foreigners.

The company's general director, Nguyen Thi Son, said Legamex expected to lead a Victnamese

government pilot program to sell seven state com-panies either partially or wholly to the private

Legamex wants to restructure its assets into two

new joint-stock companies. Some 70 percent of the assets will be grouped under Legatex Shareholding Co., which plans to issue 170,000 shares at \$25 each, or a total of \$4.2 million. The remaining 30 percent

will form Lega-Footwear Shareholding Co. Legamex has asked the Council of Ministers for

percent of Legatex shares to foreigners and 4

percent to employees. The company would remain all percent state-owned.

mental program last month to turn seven state-

owned companies into joint stock companies, then

allow them to be sold at least partially to the

Hanor's communist leaders launched an experi-

sion to split the company and to sell 55

a stock market."

HONG KONG - The chairman of Citicorp. John Reed, said Tuesday that he expected the banking concern would be allowed to open a branch in Vietnam in 1993 if the U.S. economic embargo against the country was lifted.

Speaking at a news conference here, Mr. Reed said that the American embargo was a "political and not an economic issue" and that he believed it would be ended "in due course."

Asked when the company's Citibank unit would be able to set up a branch office, he replied, "I would have to guess next year."

Mr. Reed said that Vietnam had very considerable human and natural resources and great poten-

tial to contribute to growth in the region.

He added that Cinbank had a deep-seated commitment to the developing world and that it would like to resume activities in Vietnam as soon as

Royal Construction to File for Protection

TOKYO - Officials of Royal Construction Co. said Tuesday company would apply to a court later in the week for protection from creditors.

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million) on Tuesday, and was saddled with an estimated 19 billion yen in debt as of Dec. 31. Royal's largest debtor is the Dai-Ichi Kangyo Bank.

Earlier, Royal forecast a 120 million yen pretax

profit for the year to June 30, on revenue of 20 billion yen. In the prior year, Royal posted an operating loss of 60 million yen.

Royal's largest shareholder is the privately held Royal failed to meet a bill for 160 million yen (\$1.3 Royal Airlines, with a 37 percent stake.

It is the second company traded on the over-the-counter market to file for creditor protection since Maruko Inc., a property developer, failed last August. (Bloomberg, AFX)

Hit Stocks in In Japan Edge Up 2% TOKYO - Sales of imported cars in Japan rose by 2 percent in June from a year earlier, the first

Automobile Importers Association

main factor accounting for the in-

crease was the introduction of new

was too early to say the declining

The association said 18,156 im-

ported cars, buses and trucks were

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Meanwhile, it was reported that

The Nihon Keizai newspaper said

A Toyota spokesman declined to

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Hong Kong

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches HONG KONG - Prices on the Hong Kong Stock Exchange

plunged almost 2 percent Tuesday as the British-Chinese impasse over financing the colony's new airport spurred fears of prolonged discord.
The failure of three days of talks to resolve the problem sent the

Hang Seng Index down 112.85 points, to close at 5,911,92, Volume fell to 3.56 billion Hong Kong dol-lars (\$460 million), from 6.11 billion dollars on Monday. The one-half percentage point

cut in savings and prime lending rates announced late Fridayfailed to boost the index. The Hang Seng had enjoyed to

record-breaking surge early this year following the agreement reached last July by London and Beijing to go ahead with the \$14.4 billion airport project.

British and Chinese officials ended three days of talks on Monday in Beijing aimed at settling

disputes over funding the airport. Further talks were set to resume in Hong Kong next Monday. The British side has told the Chinese in Beijing that the project would be delayed unless a firm

funding proposal reached the Hong Kong Legislative Council by the end of the month. Hong Kong government and business leaders say that the new airport, scheduled for completion in

1997, is vital for economic growth and that financing must be approved soon to avoid costly delays. Many analysts were gloomy second, with 3,415, up 4.4 percent. about ocar-term prospects for Hong Kong stocks.
The main focus is on the airport

project," said Andrew To of Peregrine Brokerage. "As long as there is no agreement reached, investors would prefer to wait rather than venture further." He said the index would "probably hold on" to the 5,800 level until the talks resumed. But Peter So, research director at Citicorp Vickers, said that inves-

He said that "the market should stabilize soon when more investors network and 500 employees. share the belief that it's only a short-term problem."

tors had been overreacting.

(AFP, Reuters, AP, UPI)

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IMF Says Surplus advance in 18 months, the Japan In Japan's Trade reported Tuesday. But the association noted that a Soared in Quarter

The Associated Press WASHINGTON - Japan sold

models by Volkswagen and that it \$28.2 hillion more in goods and services abroad than it imported in the first three months of this year and was the only one of five major trading countries to show a surplus, according to the International Monetary Fund.

The figure was almost double the \$14.3 billion trade surplus Japan It said that sales of foreign cars in Japan for the first six months of had in the first quarter of 1991. Last week, Prime Minister Kiichi this year totaled 86,531 vehicles. down 12.4 percent from the same period of 1991.

Miyazawa said he was embarrassed by Japan's 1991 surplus of \$43 billico in trade with the United States, which came despite efforts by both countries to close the gap.

Japan's exports dropped margin-ally in the first quarter of 1992, to \$85.2 billion from \$85.7 billion in from the original target, to 2.36 million units. The production target would be lowered by 2 percent, or 80,000 units, to 4 million units. the last quarter of 1991. But imports dropped even more sharply, to \$57.0 billion from \$61.9 billion the previous quarter.

company was preparing to make an announcement Wednesday regardup a supplier support center in the United States to raise the productivity of U.S. auto-part makers that Consumer demand for cars and supply it, United Press Internationmany other products has slumped

reported from Tokyo. Japan's No. 1 automaker said it By country, German vehicles ac-counted for 59.42 percent of last would establish the center in September in Lexington, Kentucky, where it has several factories. It will month's total foreign sales, with 10,600 units, up 5.8 percent from last year. U.S. vehicle sales were send engineers from the center to car-part makers on request.

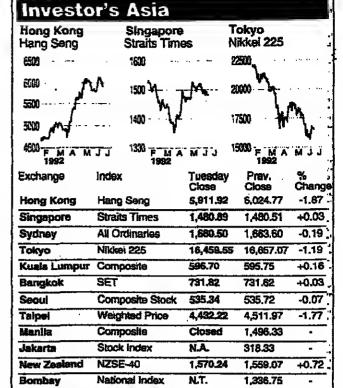
Toyota has pledged to buy auto parts and materials worth as much ■ Toyota to Train Suppliers as \$5.28 billion per year from U.S. Toyota said Tuesday it would set auto-parts makers by 1994.

Unilever Buys Thai Ice Cream Firm

LONDON - Unilever PLC said Tuesday that its Thai division bought the Foremost Friesland (Thailand) ice cream business from Friesland Frico Domo for an undisclosed amount.

The British-Dutch consumer-products conglomerate said Foremost was Thailand's biggest ice cream maker, with a nationwide distribution

"The acquisition by Unilever is in line with the group's strategy of expanding its activities in Southeast Asia, specifically in foods including



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Thailand has decided to scrap a 65 billion baht (\$2.6 billion) rail project for Bangkok, the government saying that Lavalin International Inc. of Canada had failed to meet certain obligations under its contract; Lavalin was reported to be having trouble lining up international financing.

 India's key stock exchanges in New Delhi, Calcutta and Madras were closed for the second straight day as a government effort to unravel a major securities scandal continued; the Bombay exchange has been closed since mid-June in connection with the affair.

N Taiwan's central bank, holder of the world's largest foreign-exchange reserves, has received permission from the U.S. Treasury Department to set up a representative office in New York, officials said.

• Guangdong Province, China, saw industrial production grow by 26.8 percent to 124.4 billion yuan (\$22.8 billion) in the first half of the year; sales by state-owned industries rose 17 percent, while sales by nonstate enterprises, including collectives, increased more than 30 percent.

Daiwa Bank and its unit Daiwa Bank (Capital Management) Ltd. will issue \$500 million in convertible bonds and subordinated bonds July 23. • Nippon Mining Co. has developed a new, nickel-based super alloy used in making aircraft parts that contains only one-eighth of the impurities of the current alloy; it is 53 percent nickel and 20 percent chrome.

 Malaysia's economy grew 8.9 percent in the first quarter, after 7.6
percent a year earlier, the central bank reported, helped by significantly higher output in the agriculture and mining sectors.

• Island Dyeing & Printing Co. had a loss of 1.7 million Hong Kong dollars (\$220,000) in the year ended March 31, after a profit of 11.5 million B year ago.

Marubeni Corp. of Japan has received an order from the United Arabi Emirates to build gas turbines for electricity generation in a deal worth 34 billion yen (\$272 million). Bloomberg, Reuters, UPI, AFP

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From Namibia With Speed

VILLENEUVE D'ASCQ, France - Modest Frankie Fredericks would be the last man to say so but his form suggests he could create history next month by becoming the first African to capture an Olympic sprint title.

The Namibian was in glorious form at the Villeneuve d'Ascq grand prix track meet on Monday, winning the 100 meters in 9.91 seconds and the 200 meters in 19.99.

Though the times were helped by a strong tail-wind, the manner of Fredericks' victories over potendal Olympic rivals left no doubt that the 24year-old student will have to be taken very serious-

Fredericks was quietly satisfied with his night's work. "The times were fine, considering the wind." he said. "They would both bave been personal

records so it's a pity in a way."

Little known before last season, Fredericks came to the fore at the Tokyo world championships when he took silver behind Michael Johnsoo of the United States in the 200 meters.

It is more easily forgotten that he also clocked a remarkable 9.95 seconds in the 100-meter final, an African record and a time that had been bettered by only three men before the race started. Nevertheless, he finished without a medal in fifth place in the greatest sprint race ever run as

Carl Lewis took gold in world record time. With Lewis out of the U.S. team for Barcelona and other sprinters showing erratic form, Fredericks is emerging as a favorite in the 100 meters.

NAIROBI - Keuja rein-

stated four big names to its

Barcelona track team to a dra-

matic about-face on Tuesday.

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gat, head of the Kenyan squad to Barcelona, said: "We can

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Ereng woo the 800 meters at

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In Monday's race he comfortably dominated world bronze medalist Dennis Mitchell, the leading American sprinter of the season, who had to be

content with second place in 9.94 seconds.

Also beaten was Nigerian Olapade Adeniken, one of only three men to have beaten the 10-second barrier without wind assistance this year. In the longer race Fredericks beat European

champion John Regis of Britain, who ran 20.12.
Fredericks' chances of a double in Barcelona are not so remote even if most speculation about the Olympic 200 meiers has centered on whether the brilliant Johnson wili oreak Italian Pietro Mennea's 13-year-old world record of 19.79 seconds.
But the sprinter from Windhoek put that into a different perspective last month in Rome when he

banded Johnson his first defeat in two years. "I was very happ; to beat Michael," he said.
"The win against him was very important psychologically. But that does not mean I'm going to beat him in Barcelona.

Fredericks, now installed in Paris after finishing his course in computer studies at Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, believes he has prepared much better this season than last. "In 1991 I had to run a lot to make a name for

myself," he said. "I had no titles, no references, nothing. I was an unknown. " But since Tokyo, I'm better known and much more at ease. I've run very tittle this season.'

Fredericks has, in fact, raced four times over each sprint and has eight victories out of eight

EC Warns Against Deal 4 Kenya Stars **Specially for Eurosport** Back on Team

BRUSSELS - With less than three weeks to the Olympics, the EC Commission has warned public broadcasters across Europe not to stop rival television channels from cashing in oo the Games, a TV-

viewing bonanza. A Commission spokesman saió on Monday the warting was issued because the public companies planned to give special rights for coverage of the Barcelona games to Eurosport, a satellite channel they all partly own.

There was concern that the pact could lead to discrimination against competing television stations and the Commission had received complaints from other TV groups, the spokesman said. "Our concern is to see that others are not

discriminated against," he said. But he declined to elaborate on

the threat posed by the deal be-tween Eurosport and its masters in the European Broadcasting Union and would not say whether the Commission would take action if its appeal was ignored.

The Commission has taken a tough line in the past when it outiawed other pacts with the EBU that gave Eurosport exclusive rights to various sports events.

The channel, which reaches nearly half a million households across the continent, blamed that Commission decision when it went off ine air for a while last year. The badle promises to be even

more actimonious this time, given the potential for boosting audiences during the Games. The EBU's members include big

national oroadcasters like Italy's

Eastern Basketball **Has Political Blues**

No Challenger Is Left for U.S.

By Doug Cress

ZARAGOZA, Spain — Flipping through the TV channels in his hotel room receotly. Croatian basketball star Toni Kukoc came across some highlights of the U.S. Olympic team in action.

Kukoc paused, and leaned close to the screen. He studied the images for a second. Then he grunted, shook his head, and went back to

"I don't oeed to see any more of that," he said. "I know exactly what is going to happen in the Olympics — the United States is going to bear everybody by 25 or 30 points. On a bad day, they will win by only 10 or 15. Why? Because the NBA players are ont of this world."

With that, Kukoc, generally regarded as the best all-around basketball player in Europe and a sure-fire NBA prospect, summed up the paradox of the 1992 Olympic basketball tournament; European basketball may be strooger than ever, but the realignment of Eastern Europe has left the

United States without a single viable opponent.

In fact, Croatian coach Peter Skansi has already told his players to forget about the gold medal. "I have always said the same thing—the gold medal is already gone for these Olympics," Skansi said. "Everybody else is playing for two medals: the silver and the bronze. I told my players which before our first name, and that believe are heaven in the series." this before our first game, and they believe me, because it is true."

Croatia, Lithuania, Germany and the Commonwealth of Independent States are the four teams that survived the European Olympic qualifying tournament that concluded bere last week to earn berths in Barcelona. But the fact that none of those entities existed in their present form two

years ago points up the dramatic change taking place.

Not surprisingly, the political upheaval has taken a severe toll on European basketball. Lithuania, for instance, features four of the five starters on the Soviet Union's 1988 Olympic gold medal team. The Lithuanian stars include the 7-foot-4 (2.26-meter) center Arvidas Sabonis and the Golden State Warriors guard Sharunas Marciulionis. Croatia and the Goden State Warriors guard Sharinas Marchions. Croans includes three starters off Yugoslavia's 1990 world championship squad. Other ostions like Estonia, Latvia and Slovenia also siphoned off top players and coaches, although some brave souls chose to buck the trend: Latvian stars Gundars Ventra and Igors Miglenieks opted to stay in the spotlight with the CIS rather than play for highly regarded Latvia, even though it left them labeled as traitors back home.

For Ventra, at least, the gamble paid off; last week, he signed a two-year contract with the Minnesota Timberwolves of the NBA.

Elsewhere, the civil war in Yugoslavia kept Croatia's top players either abroad or in bomb shelters over the winter, while teams like Lithuania and Slovenia limped into Spain short on funding - in fact, Slovenia's team existed on a single credit card up until a few weeks ago. The players with NBA contracts like Detlef Schrempf of Germany and Alexander Volkov of the CIS arrived at Zaragoza still bung over from the 1991-92

regular season.
"It's a shame, in a way," said Volkov, who plays for the Atlanta Hawks.
"If you can imagine bow good teams like Yugoslavia and the Soviet Union might be today if they were still together, you can see where we might be able to give the United States a game. But now Yugoslavia is what, five countries? And we are even more, I think. What has happened may be good for politics but it's not good for basketball."

To make matters worse, Spain - the 1984 Olympic silver medalist and an automatic qualifier as the host nadoo - may not take part in the Olympics at all. Spain's national team is about to begin its second player strike this month in protest of a Spanish League decision to allow three foreigners per team next seasoo. Spanish coach Diaz Mignel recently said he "doubts" Spain will be there in the Olympics, while Boris Stankovic, RAI, the British Broadcastiog secretary-general of FIBA, basketball's international ruling body, called Corp. and France's Antenne 2. the strike a "big, big problem."



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Arvidas Sabonis, the holking center and one of Lithuania's mainstays, is rated Europe's best big man.

Solution Is Found for Yugoslavia Athletes

MUNICH - Leaders attending the world economic summit have recommended that athletes from Yugoslavia be allowed to participate in the Olympics as individuals, British officials said Tuesday.

An official who briefed reporters said the leaders backed a suggestion by Prime Minister John Major that the athletes take part, but not under the banner of Yugoslavia, Major sent a letter to Juan Antonio Samaranch, head of the International Olympic Committee, with the leaders' recommendation.

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USED TO BE, "WHO CARES?"

The decision by leaders gathered at the Group of Seven summit was requested by the IOC and is expect? ed to lead to competitors from Serb-dominated Yugoslavia entering Olympic events "in white vests," the committee's term for athletes who do not represent hckett

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Yugoslavia is banned from taking part in the Barcelong Olympics. The United Nations has imposed a series of sanctions against the Serbian government, But the IOC has been searching for a formula that would permit the Yugoslav athletes to compete.

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BOOKS

ITALIAN NEIGHBORS

By Tim Parks. 272 pages. \$19.95. Grove Weidenfeld, 841 Broudway. New York, New York 10003-4793.

Reviewed by Michael Mewshaw

M OST foreigners' books about Italy fall into one of two categories chronicles of infatuation or diaries of disillusionment. It's rare to read one like "Italian Neighbors" that combines accuracy with affection, analysis with lyri-

Tim Parks, a British govelist, came to the Veneto region with his Italian-born wife and took up residence in the town of Montecchio, on a street that achieves "an exquisite confusion of invading suburbia and peasant tradition. . . To add to the sense of emblematic collision, from the far end of the street, a Madonna gazes from her shrine in the wall of a cherry orchard, right along the flat ribbon of patchy tarmac to where a derelict bortling factory is due for redevelop-

Far from the dreamy postcaro iliu-sions, this is a landscape that would appeal only to someone with keen peripheral vision and an appetite for incongruity. It's a place where science, religion and superstition comfortably coexist. In the basement of Parks's apartment building, he notices a Sacred Heart above each electricity meter. Although almost every-

body in town faithfully attends Mass, the priest is alternately assumed to be a ped-learns, for instance, that the deepest divipriest is alternately assumed to be a pedobserves, "It's important for the congregation that the priest be a wholesome sinner like themselves. Just as it is impertant for them that the men in the lax office take bribes." In short, this is the real Italy, a "model anarchic society." where there are "rules without end whose value will never be questioned. And under this excellent cover everybody will live as he sees fil."

According to its constitution, Italy is a republic based on labor, but as Parks amusingly demonstrates, it's actually based on the preternatural ability of its citizens to project contradictory ideas about themselves. According to conventional wisdom, it's a country of extra-verted, spontaneous people. Yet Parks points out that Italians are obsessed by the search for security, for homes armor-plated against invaders, for jobs safe from the vagaries of the economy. Although they are said to be emotionally impulsive, they have an uncanny ability to compartmentalize their romantic lives, and even to choose photographs for their tombs decades before their deaths. In a society that supposedly leves kids, Parks discovers that Italians "produce so few of them. . . . The population is expected to fall by two or three million before the end of the millennium."

Fortunately for readers, these paradoxes aren't presented as sociological essays. but are dramatized in novelistic scenes as

learns, for instance, that the deepest divibe in his native England, but between state buteaucrats and private-sector employees, and between the self-employed and everybody else. (The self-employed

are regarded as the biggest tax evaders.)
While familiarity with Italy prompts in some foreigners the conclusion that its citizens are jaded and cynical, Parks believes they are profoundly satisfied with their lives, schizophrenic though they and flouted, politicians despised and reelected. The gulf between officialdom's facade and private thought could not be greater" - and it is in that gulf that Tim Parks happily resides, no longer a transient, now a fulltime player in the country's daily commedia dell'arte.

Michael Mewshaw, who lived in Italy for 12 years, wrote this for The Washing-

12 ALL THE PRETTY HORSES, by

Cormac McCarthy

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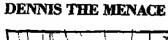






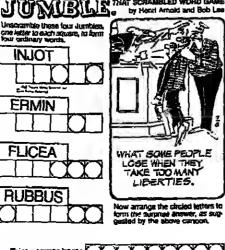








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The Next Reorganization Ought to Look Like This

By Dave Anderson New York Times Service

NEW YORK — Ruling that the Chicago Cubs and the St. Louis Cardinals will switch divisions with the Atlanta Braves and the Cincinnati Reds in the National League next season, Commissioner Fay Vincent did what the owners didn't do: He looked at a map. Major league owners should look at a map. Baseball needs to be realigned geographically, economically

and emotionally.

When the expansion Florida Marlins and Colorado Rockies each stumble to at least 100 losses in the National League next season, 28 major league fran-

Vantage Point

chises will exist. Instead of prolonging the outdated separation between the American League and the National League, the owners should mix and match the 28 teams in one league with four divisions:

Fast - the New York Mets and Yankees, Braves, Marlins, Boston Red Sox, Philadelphia Phillies and Baltimore Orioles

North - the Reds, Minnesota Twins, Toronto Blue Jays, Detroit Tigers, Montreal Expos, Cleveland Indians and Pittsburgh Pirates.

Central — the Cardinals, Cubs, Chicago White Sox, Milwankee Brewers, Kansas City Royals, Texas Ranges and Houston Astros. West - the Rockies, Oakland Athletics, San Franrisco Giants, Los Angeles Dodgers, California Angels, San Diego Padres and Scattle Mariners.

The mix would: • Keep three of baseball's best rivalries within the some divisions - Yankees-Red Sox, Dodgers-Giants,

© Create emotional geographic rivalries that have been wasted as an attraction through the years — Mets-Yankees, Cubs-White Sox, Dodgers-Angels, Gi-

• Match other new geographic rivals: Mats-Red Sox, Yankees-Phillies, Cubs-Brewers, Phillies-Orioles, Cardinals-Royals, Indians-Reds, Indians-Pirates, Rangers-Astros, Bine Jays-Expos.

Present new theater — Roger Clemens pitching to Barry Bonds, Dwight Gooden pitching to Kirby Puck-ett, Dennis Eckersley pitching to Ryne Sandberg, Tommy Glavine pitching to Cecil Fielder.
 To cut travel costs while promoting the new rivalries and maintaining the 162-game schedule, each team

would play the six others in its divisioo 13 times (78 games) and each of the other 21 teams four times (84 games). Or it could play each of the other 27 teams six times. The four division champions qualify for the playoffs; the two winners meet in the World Scries.

What would happen to the NL and AL tradition? Tradition is oot the problem. The designated-hitter rule is the problem. The best solution would be to eliminate the DH.

Play baseball the way it's supposed to be played, with the manager having to make a decision on whether or oot to remove his pitcher for a ninch-hitter. With or without, what of the NL and AL tradition?

t's not tradition, it's stubbornness. Nearly a century ago, the AL was the upstart to the NL establishment. Some owners still vote according to

a "league" philosophy instead of a what's-good-for-baseball philosophy.

That's why the DH rule exists in the AL, but not in the NL. That's why baseball's showcase, the World Series, is wrongly played under two sets of rules. Major league fontball, basketball and hockey all

mix their teams in single schedules under single sets of Only baseball has retained its two-league separation. But baseball fans are emotionally involved only in their favorite team, not in which AL or NL teams

have won the World Series in recent years. But what about all the league records? Recognize the major league records. The separate NL and AL individual and club batting, pitching and fielding records are merely an extension of a league rivolry that

What about the NL and AL presidents? Create a deputy commissioner who would impose suspensions and fines for, say, beanball brawls. He also would

But is this realignment really possible? Not until the club owners look at a map.

If Then Was Now How the 1992 standings

would look under 1993 realignment plan.

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Expansion teams in 1993



Cubs Sue to Block Transfer

CHICAGO - The Chicago

Cubs filed suit Tuesday against the major league baseball commissioner, Fay Vincent, in an attempt to stop their forced reassignment to the National League West.

Court in Chicago, asks for a preliminary injunction to stop the realignment, due to take place in 1993. Under Vincent's decision oo Monday, the Cubs and the St. Louis Cardinals will go to the West while the Atlanta Braves and Cincinnati Reds move to the East.

The complaint contends that the opunced yesterday," Cubs and their fans will face "ir-

For Kip Gross, Pitching for Dodgers Was Fun While It Lasted

against the Expos.

reparable injury if the commission-er's unlawful action is not enjoined, because traditional team rivalries will be disrupted."

In addition, the Cubs said, Chicago area fans face the prospect of an increased number of late night The lawsuit, filed in U.S. District broadcasts of West Coast games

with later starting times. In a statement released by his office, Vincent said that Stan Cook, the Cubs' president, "called me today to advise that a suit has been filed in the U.S. District Court in Chicago challenging the National League realignment decision I an-

complaint and have no further comment," he added.

The team argues that the action upsets the divisional alignment that has been in place for 23 years. since the National League divisions

The Cubs also contend that the

living with dates only to 1969." That's hardly a historic dimen-

were first created in 1969."

National League Constitution forbids transferring a team to another division without the club's permis-

Vincent noted before the suit was filed that "this alignment we're

The Root of All Evil Flourishes Nicely in The Italian Summer

LONDON -- "They offered an enormous, quite immoral amount." When Gian Mauro Borsano, president of Torino, used those words to appease rioters angered by his selling of Gianluigi Lentini to AC Milan, it could almost be guaranteed the Church of Rome would get involved. In Italy, where soccer stars are close to godliness, Lentini is the latest symbol of inflated individual worth in a team game.

At what price does the buying and selling of human performers become immoral? The Vatican daily paper l'Osservatore Romano, responding to the Torino president's word, pontificates that money is the ruin of soccer.

Since Milan's paymaster Silvio Berlusconi cries that the reported 30 billion lire (\$26 million) price tag on the deal for Lentini is exaggerated, we cannot put a price on sin. This is

normal: Most that moves in the lalian market is blurred by there Hughes being one price for box office, an-

other for the parties involved, a third for the taxman.

While disaffected Torino Ianatics my to wash teargas from their eyes, the Lentini sums scale down somewhat: 18.5 billion here is now said to be the fee Milan is to pay Torino, with the player receiving 4.4 billion lire per

season for four years. The wages of ruin? One is tempted oot to take l'Osservatore Romano too seriously after its sycophancy towards Diego Maradona turned to condemnation when the Great One had his cocaine fall.

None of us has convincingly established whether Maradona, whose \$12 million move to Napoli in 1984 set the spiral of modern transfers, corrupted the system or was corrupted by it. His ban ended a week ago, and though he carries 15 pounds (6.8 kilograms) too much body fat, I

share Pele's opinion that Maradona can and will play again.

Napoli greeted Maradona's coming out of his 15-month isolation with a reminder that be remains under contract and is expected to report for training later this month. Maradona's reply is that he cannot set foot in Naples again. He implies he would fear for his life there, and a public star who allegedly became entangled with Mafia drug pushers may have

grounds for suspicion. To Italy, to his old admirers in Vatican City, Maradona has had his day. Lentini is the future. They are not comparable. When we saw Maradona between adoles-

cence and manhood, we knew instantly he was special. Few can recall when Lentini, oow 23, began the transition from an ordinary player. Torino took a chance in hiring Lentini from Ancona, and last season he scored five goals in 33 games as well as breaking into the national team. His price shot up after he had dined with Berlusconi and dared to decline the invitation to join Milan's legions. Berlusconi does not take refusal, first or any other kind. He kept himself busy signing Jean-Pierre Papin of France, Dejan Savicevic of Serbia, and re-signing the Dutch trio Marco van Basten, Ruud Gullit and Frank Rijkaard.

Whether Lentini's resistance was real or just a ploy, he now admits: "! wanted to stay at Torino, but had to guarantee my future."

That line is getting worn. We heard it from Roberto Baggio and Gianluca Vialli before each was lured to Juventus. All money, all talk. The playing, and the winning, are what count. Otherwise, this summer's sales will be oext summer's re-sales.

Perhaps it was legimate to continue its isolation over the past two integrated decades while trying to force change oo other recreations, but South African soccer suffered from its lack of overseas competition. With hick, that now changes, South Africa is playing three games against Cameroon — Tuesday in Durban, Thursday in Cape Town and Saturday in Johannesburg. The two teams will wear black armbands and play to full houses

totaling 167,000. Within a month, South Africa competes against Zimba-bwe and Zambia in the African Nations Cup and it will likely be granted a chance to qualify for the 1994 World Cup. Materially, South Africa has the means to rank with the United States

and Japan as potentially emergent soccer powers. Morally, we hope this is the right time to welcome South Africa back. Rob Flugies is on the stuff of the Sunday Times

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Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches The Minnesota Twins are hot, and they can thank Kirby Puckett. Puckett, who is hitting 426 over his last 11 games, banged out three hits to pace a 13-hir Minnesota attack Monday night that routed the New York Yankees, 10-5, at

The victory marked the third istraight for the AL West leaders.

AMERICAN LEAGUE their ninth in their last 10 games

Yankee Stadium.

and 16th in 19 outings. Puckett smacked two doubles and a single, drove in two runs and scored twice, and the Twins scored eight times in the first three in-

Yankee starter Tim Leary was battered for six runs on six hits with four walks in just 2% imings. Rangers 3, Brewers 1: In Arling-ton, Texas, Kevin Brown became the first 13-game winner in the major leagues this season as Texas beat Milwankee behind home runs from Ivan Rodriguez and Dean

Tigers 5, Mariners 4: In Detroit, Skeeter Barnes hit a sacrifice fly in the 14th inning to end a 4-hour, 23minute game, the longest in Detroit in seven seasons. Mike Walker was the loser for Scattle. Athletics 13, Indians 4: In Cleve-

and, Scott Brosius returned from the minors with a fury by hitting home runs in his first two at-bats and going 4 for 5 as Oakland won for a split of the four-game series. Blue Jays 3, Angels 0: In Toronto, Juan Guzman took over the American League lead in ERA

(2.01) and strikeouts (115) as Toronto won its fifth straight. Royals 6, Red Sox 3: In Boston, Rick Reed won as a starter for the first time since July 5, 1990, with Pittsburgh, allowing three runs and

five hits in 6% innings.

Orioles 4, White Sox 3: In Baltimore, Mike Devereaux singled home the winning run with one out in the 14th as Baltimore won despite stranding 21 runners.

Lendl Now a U.S. Citizen Reges

NEW YORK - Ivan Lendi was sworn in as a U.S. citizen on Tuesday, a spokesman for the tennis star said. The Czechoslovak-born Lendl took the oath of allegiance in a private ceremony in the Immigration and Naturalization Service oflice in Hartford, Connecticut.

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

Kip Gross did not join the Los Angeles Dodgers in their group embrace Monday after they swept their second doubleheader at home in four days, but that doesn't mean he didn't celebrate.

Somewhere out on Interstate Highway 10

going away from Los Angeles, maybe he honked his horn. After defeating the Montreal Expos on

Monday in the first game, 8-3, Gross said he would listen to the second game while driving a compact truck he recently purchased from teammate Dave Hansen. Destination?

Gross, called up from the triple-A Albuquerque farm team for the first game, was demoted immediately afterward to make room for Darryl Strawberry's return. So he

could only listen on the radio as the Dodgers couple of days, with two more doubleheaders mounted a four-run comeback during the seventh inning of the nightcap without Strawberry's help, and won, 4-3. Mike Sharperson drove in two runs with a

two-strike double, and Eric Davis scored two NATIONAL LEAGUE

more with a two-strike single against reliever Before 34,169 at Dodger Stadium, it was

enough to give the Dodgers their fifth victory in seven games and help them improve to 9-5 in a 22-game home stand. After going more than three years without

sweeping a doubleheader, the Dodgers have done so twice in less than 80 hours. They will have a chance to do it twice more in the next

Pirates L. Astros 0: In Pittsburgh, Orlando Merced belted a solo home run in the sixth imning and Zane Smith pitched 81/2 innings of

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Last Friday's doubleheader sweep against

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Pedro Asiacio, who like Gross is a pitcher

In six innings in Monday's opener, Gross gave up three runs and seven hits. But after the first inning, he yielded oo runs and three

Reds 6, Cubs 2: In Chicago, Jeff Branson's

three-run double in the first, key blow in a four-run imning, was all Cincinnati needed to

give Mike Morgan his first defeat since April

who was recalled from Albuquerque.

shutout ball, belping the Pirates snap a fourgame losing streak.

Mets 3, Braves 1: In Atlanta, Dave Gallagher doubled home Chico Walker with the go-ahead run in the eighth to help David Cone earn his eighth win.

Giants 4, Phillies 2: In San Francisco, Cory Snyder had three hits including a solo bome run and Bud Black worked 7% strong innings to win his sixth straight at Candlestick Park.

Cardinals 4, Parkes 0: In San Diego, rookie Mark Clark pitched a four-hitter for his first win of the seasoo and Todd Zeile went 4-for-4 for the second time in his career as the Cardinals churned out 12 hits against four Padres pitchers and broke a string of six games in which they had not scored more than one rum. (LAT, UPI)

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The statements, made public Monday, are the first of their kind. In the past the NFL has released only selected bits and pieces of its financial picture.

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In contrast, NFL teams made \$402 million selling tickets — just under 30 percent of revenue.

The NFL is being sued in federal court by players who contend the system of limited free agency ille-gally restricts their ability to change teams and draw top salaries. Lawyers for the players introduced the financial data to support their argument that teams earn most of their money from oetwork television contracts signed before

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Rob Harmeling of the Netherlands, left, winning the Tour de France's third stage Tuesday ahead of Belgium's Samury Moreels.

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OBSERVER A Dulcimer Lesson

By Russell Baker

Tom Jefferson, the famous word man. Learning to play the dulci-mer. I ask if it's because dulcimer is such a beautiful word. Maybe he has been smitten by that beautiful line of Coleridge's:

"A damsel with a dulcimer in a vision once I saw . . No, it is not that at all. He hopes

dulcimer mastery may get him an invitation to the Arsenio Hall show. Then, while the United States is softened by dulcimer sweetness and the studio gives him a thunderous hand cued by Arsenio's trademark fist-pumping of the upper air, then he will try to explain the Continental Congress' shameful conduct.

I urge him not to bother. The Congress' conduct was inexcusable. "Weren't you aware that summer in Philadelphia," I ask him, "didn't it occur to even one of you that you were all dead white males? Didn't a single soul say, 'It's wrong to have a revolution started by a group that would be shut down for ooocompliance if we had an equal revolution opportunity law??"

Crushed by the righteousness of my indignation, Jefferson becomes melancholy, which improves my day. Since I am not as smart as Jefferson I can at least feel morally superior to him. Feeling morally superior is the perfect antidote for

the gravest case of mental vacuity. We here in the 20th century may oot be as brilliant as your 18th-century Eolighteomeot crowd," I tell him, "but when it comes to public morality our excel-

lence is incomparable."

How splendid it is to feel morally superior to Jefferson. It feels so good, in fact, that I suggest be invite John Adams and Benjamin Franklin to drop by so I can feel morally superior to them too.

They send regrets. Franklin, it seems, finds it a waste of time talking to 20th-centory Americans since most are utterly ignorant of science and all lead ridiculously overwrought sex lives.

Adams says be is sick and tired of providing 20th-century "nincom-poops" with somebody to feel morally superior to. Thinking to return the shir. I instruct Jefferson to tell Adams next time he sees him that I may be a nincompoop but at least l don't come from Taxachusetts.

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Jefferson is puzzled. Taxachu-NEW YORK — Jefferson is setts? Tom, 1 cannot believe you didn't follow George Bush's 1988 presidential campaign. Taxachusetts is what No-New-Taxes Bush called densely taxed Massachusetts,

home of his opponent Dukakis." Jefferson asks. Do I mean it, this Taxachusetts tale, or am 1 making a joke about the decline of presidential campaigns? Had Bush also coined a funny new name for Virginia? But no, oo, please don't tell

The tasteless possibilities for twisting Virginia into funny names are surely too tempting to be resisted by people who campaign for the dency by misnaming our magpresidency by misnaming our mag-nificent states for laughs instead of propoonding measures for strengthening the tree of liberty.

This elitist view gives me a laugh. These dead white males actually believe the raves the history books used to give them before historians revised history into proper shape.

I am tempted to straighten Jefhuman disaster: Sure Washington, Franklin, Adams, Madison, Hamilton, Jefferson, the whole bunch, were pretty good in their day, but what about Bush, Quayle, Reagan, Carter, Mondale, Ford, Nixon, Ag-

On reflection, I decide out to. My long suit with Jefferson is moral superiority. Instead of reading him a lesson in comparative history, I tell nim his famous Declaration of Independence is a disgrace: an arrogant announcement that one tyranny -the tyranny of dead white males --intended to fight another.

All men were created equal, they had said, ignoring women, as they ignored the African-Americans they enslaved, native Americans whose land they had stolen, Asian-Americans who would provide their grandchildren with sweated labor 100 years hence. And corrupt old historians called them Founding Fathers! Founding Dead White Male Racist Sexist Swine was more

like it. Mr. Jefferson.

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New-Era Russian Opera: Kirov Wins

By John Rockwell
New York Times Service

S T. PETERSBURG — The Kirov Opera, which made its American debut Monday evening at the Metropolitan Opera House, was unfortunately preceded to New York by the Bolshoi Opera of Moscow last summer at the Met and by the St. Petersburg National Opera, earlier this year at the New York State Theater. Thus, many people may not realize that the Kirov Opera operates on an altogether higher level.

The Kirov, which shares its 175-member orchestra and the Maryinsky Theater with the Kirov Ballet, is currently the best Russia has to offer in terms of big, bold productions defuly blending old and new dramatic values, with stirring singing and thrilling choral and orchestral work.

Or so it seemed on a recent visit to St. Petersburg, during which the company's artistic director, Valeri Gergiev, conducted performances of Mussorgsky's "Khovanshchina" and Tchaikovsky's "Queen of Spades," And so it seems on the recordings Gergiev and company have released on Philips, "Queen of Spades" will be given in New York over the next two weeks, along with Mussorgsky's "Boris Godinov" and Prokofiev's "Fiery Angel."

The Bolshoi's disappointing season last summer was widely seen as a product of a company caught in awkward transition between a stodgy past and an as yet uncomprehended international future.

The St. Petersburg National Opera, known until recently as the Maly Opera Theater, struck most observers as penny-pinching and provincial.

While these companies struggle to find their footing in the perilous economic and social conditions of the new Russia, the Kirov is already leading the way to a new kind of economie base and artistic pobcy.

It is doing so because the 38-year-old Gergiev, who took over artistic direction of the company in 1988, has asserted himself in almost every area of its operations. Old-fashioned conductors were tyrants, oot democrats, and the soft-spoken Gergiev seems to be proving that the best results in a fledgling democracy like Russia's can be obtained with the fervor of a benign dictator.

"I have to be strong to protect the artistic line in this theater," the conductor said in his excellent English. "I have to be autocratic, which is not a favorite word in the arts. The Kirov is part of Russia, but it doesn't have to be as chaotic and disorganized as the rest of the country. Somebody - in this case, it's me - has to be strong.

"The company has to be constantly pushed and watched and double-checked. I make things easier and shorter for myself if I step in and belp solve a problem or simply do it myself. Otherwise, two or three months later. we have a double problem, because now it's already late."

What Gergiev has accomplished in his four years as head of the Kirov Opera has all of musical Russia talking - and critics in Western Europe as well.

Anatoli Malkov, the chief administrator of the Mar-yinsky Theater, happily brandishes a 1991 Russian critics' poll in which the Kirov topped every category — best new production, best revival, best musical performance and others—and usually also took the second and third spots. In the declining years of the Soviet system, the Kirov and the Bolshoi normally each presented one big new production a season — "maybe a second one," Gergiev

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Valery Gergiev: "It was not a star track." said, "but usually something lighter, like a ballet or 'Don

When he took over, he announced that he would do five new productions a season, including many operas never before performed at the theater or ignored in decades of

Traditionalists dismissed the notion as impossible chutznah.

He started with a Mussorgsky Festival in 1989, presenting all five of the composer's operas, along with symphonand chamber programs.

A Prokofiev Festival followed in 1991-92, featuring four

new productions ("The Fiery Angel," "War and Peace,"
"The Love for Three Oranges" and "The Gambler") within cight days. The Mussorgsky series was done in modified form at the Edinburgh Festival; the Prokofiev is planned for the Opéra Bastille in Paris in 1994, and there is to be a Rimsky-

Korsakov Festival in St. Petersburg in the same year. For Gergiev, the restoration of so many Prokofiev operas, long in official disfavor, was an important step. "For the Kirov," be said, "Prokofiev was a new language, a new force, oew ideas. We are learning new feelings, a new tempo in our work. The music started to give energy to the

Gergiev is no fanatie avant-garde firebrand, determined to uproot time-honored traditions. Opera in St. Petersburg dates to 1736, only 33 years after the founding of the city

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Maryinsky company counted as one of the most important in the world. It was renamed in 1934 for Sergei Kirov, an assassinated friend of Lenin's, and today neither the opera nor the ballet wants to give up the brand name.

Gergiev has been willing to invite flashy Western directors into his temple of Russian tradition, as David Free-man's production of "The Fiery Angel," with its writhing naked and near-naked bodies, proves. But he is also eager to retain classic set designs, some dating back before the Russian revolution.

The "Khovanshchina" seen recently, and preserved on video for future release, dates from 1953, when so much of Russian cultural life was suddenly liberalized after Stalin's

Some Western visitors have found it archaic theatrically, but Gergiev, who has introduced new staging ideas and substituted Shostakovich's performing edition for Rimsky-Korsakov's, loves it for just that reason.

"It's oot just old-fashioned," he said. "I wanted to document it because it's good to fix on video things we have in our repertory that are beautiful and that one day may be lost or die.

As a student, Gergiev won the Soviet Umon's most prestigious conducting contest, the All-Union Competi-tion in Moscow, and the Herbert von Karajan Conductors' Competition in West Berlin. Instead of phynging directly into the international con-

cert scene, Gergiev signed on in 1978 as an assistant conductor at the Kirov Opera under Yuri Temirkanov. Though he graduated the next year to permanent conduc-tor, a hard apprenticeship lay ahead. "It was not a star track," be said. "But it was the only way to learn this very, very complex business of opera.

In the early '80s, his career blossomed. He became chief conductor of the Armenian State Orchestra in 1981 and regularly led new productions at the Kirov. A Wagner "Lohengrin" in 1982, he said, won him recognition both inside and outside the company.

By 1987, his international career was gaining momen-tum, with a particularly strong base in Holland (thus his relationship with the Dutch Philips label).

But in 1988, Yevgeni Mravinsky died. Russia's most famous conductor, Mravinsky had headed the Leningrad Philharmonic for 50 years. Temistanov took over the Philharmonic, and Gergiev was elected artistic director of the Kirov Opera by the members of the company.

"For this country," he said, "it was a shocking combination of an old, famous tradition and a young man." But be moved ahead decisively on all fronts. He rebuilt the orchestra and chorus and fought to retain the loyalty of his singers at a time when tempting offers were pouring in from the West

His success with the chorus and orchestra is there for all to hear: wonderfully rousing singing, ideal for the big, sweeping chornses that enliven Russian operas, and an instrumental sonority that raises national and local traditions (pungent winds, lush and exact strings) to an international level of excellence. Gergiev is especially proud of the improvement in the brass playing.

"Technically, there are many brilliant orchestras in the world," he said. "There are very few that provide a style, a sound, I have no need to conduct the St. Petersburg Philharmonic oow, because I don't hear a difference,

PEOPLE

Forbes List of Richest: A \$9 Billion Mistake

Forbes, which lists the world's richest, has admitted that it made a \$9 billion goof last year in estimating the worth of the Reichmann brothers of Canada, who own Olympia and York, the beleaguered commercial landlord. As it issued its 1992 list of billionaires, the magazine explained it had pegged the Reichmann family's 1991 fortune at \$7 billion when its liabilities actually exceeded assets by \$2 billion. The richest person this year continued to be Tarkichiro Mori, 88, of Japan, worth \$13 bil-lion. In the United States, the wife and children of Sam Walton, the late founder of the Wal-Mart discount chain, share the world's largest collective fortune, \$23.8 billion. The richest American is William H. Gates 3d. founder of Microsoft. worth \$6.4 billion. In Latin America. Mexico's Garza-Sada family has the biggest fortune — \$3.8 billion — but drug dealing still accounted for much of the region's wealth. Publo Escobar Gaviria, of the Medellin drug cartel, is worth about \$2 billion.

John Fairchild, publisher of Women's Wear Daily, will jump out of a cake Thursday in the windows of Barneys New York - in . mannequin form, that is - to mark the 20th anniversary of W, the broadsheet weekly.

Devotees of Lewis Carroll be lieve they have found what inspired his Cheshire Cat. In a church in Croft, England, where the author's father was rector, is a carving of a cat's head smiling. From the per-spective of a small boy, all that can be seen is the griming mouth. Said Alice in watching the Cheshire Cat disappear: "I have often seen a cat. without a grin, but oot a grin without a cat.

Ringo Starr, on tour with his All-Starr Band, received a roaring welcome back in Liverpool. "Thank you, It's great to be back," he told about 2,000 fans. Starr turned 52 on Tuesday. . . Another rock veteran, Jerry Lee Lewis, 56, canceled a concert in Zurich after he collapsed in tears with stomach cramps. "He was mentally confused," concert promoter Harry Sprenger said. "He sobbed: The audience doesn't love me anymore."

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